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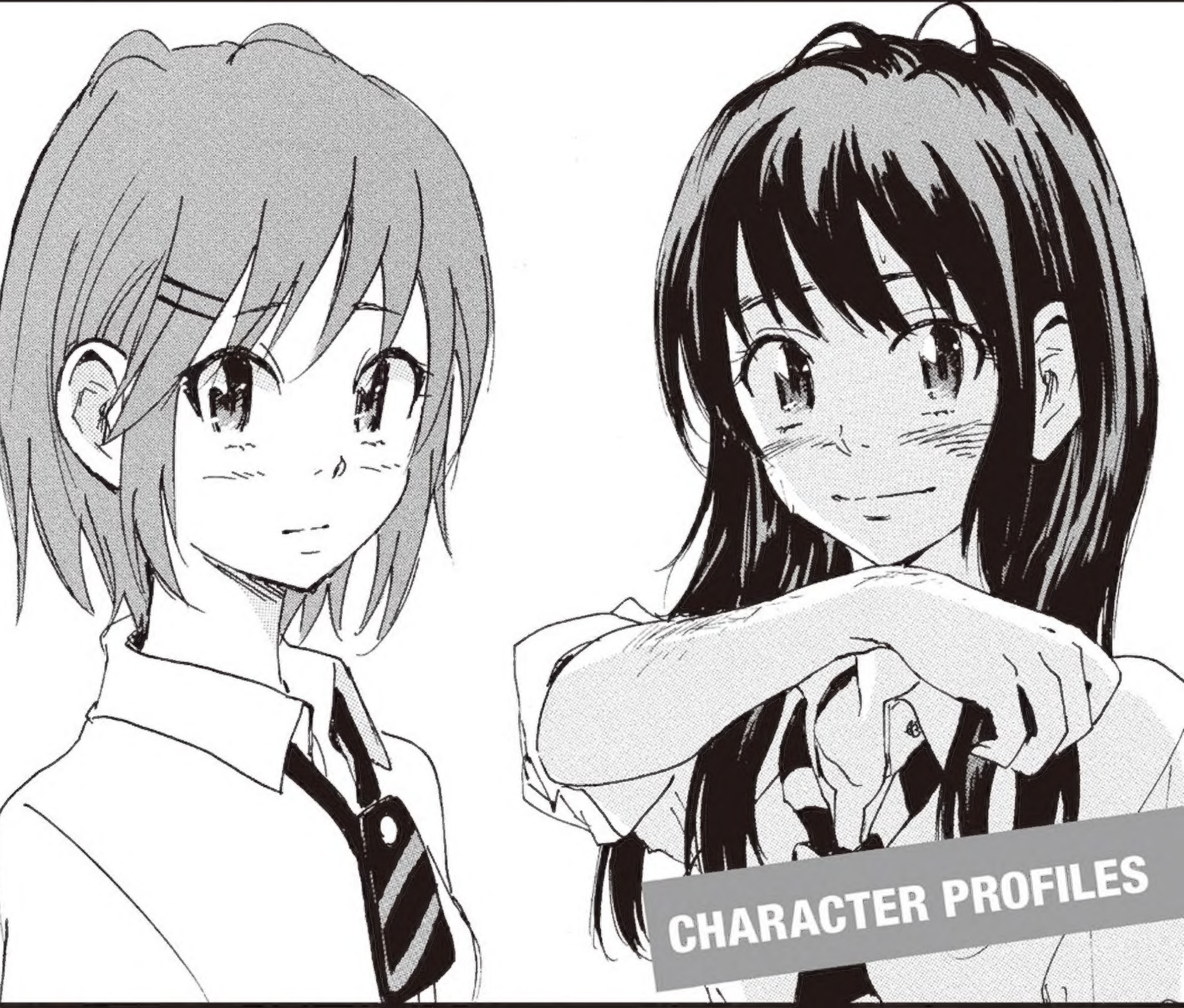


CHARACTER PROFILES

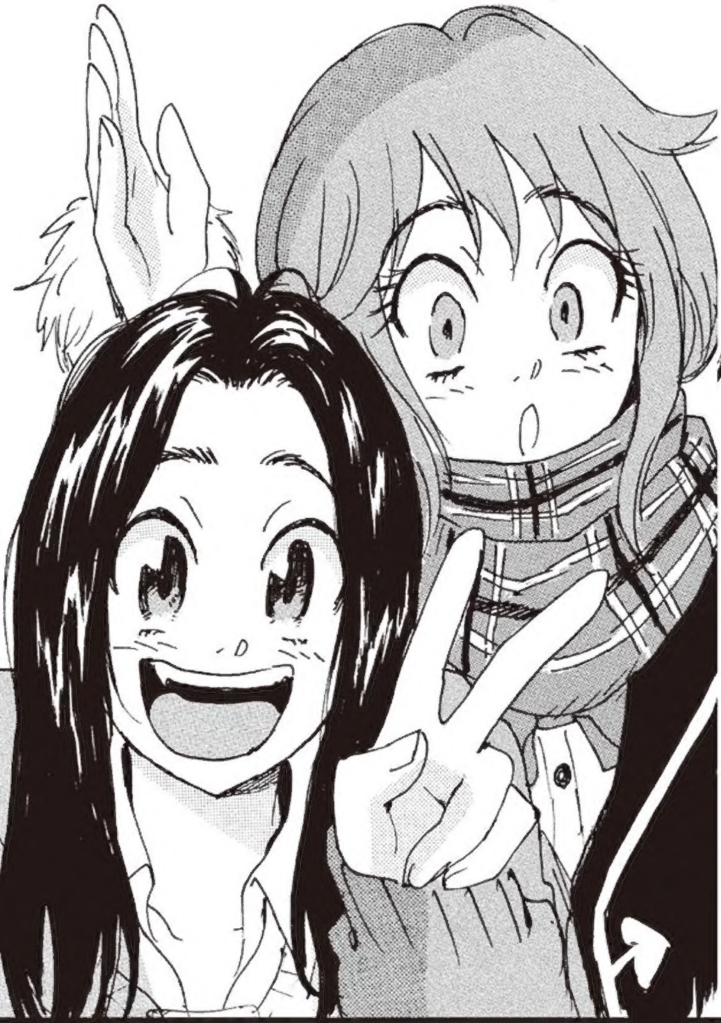
AOI FUKASAKU
(HIGH SCHOOL FIRST-YEAR)

The Medical Unit's cheerful icebreaker. Aoi has a bottomless stomach and a bright personality, but was thought to be a useless, poor student otherwise—except a mysterious power sleeps inside her, as the "complete" Coppelion...

IBARA NARUSE
(HIGH SCHOOL THIRD-YEAR)

Leader of the Coppelion Medical Unit. She possesses staggering athletic ability, and her combat skills are excellent. Relying on her strong conviction to save everyone in Tokyo to give her strength, she leads the search for survivors. Her speech can be a bit rough.

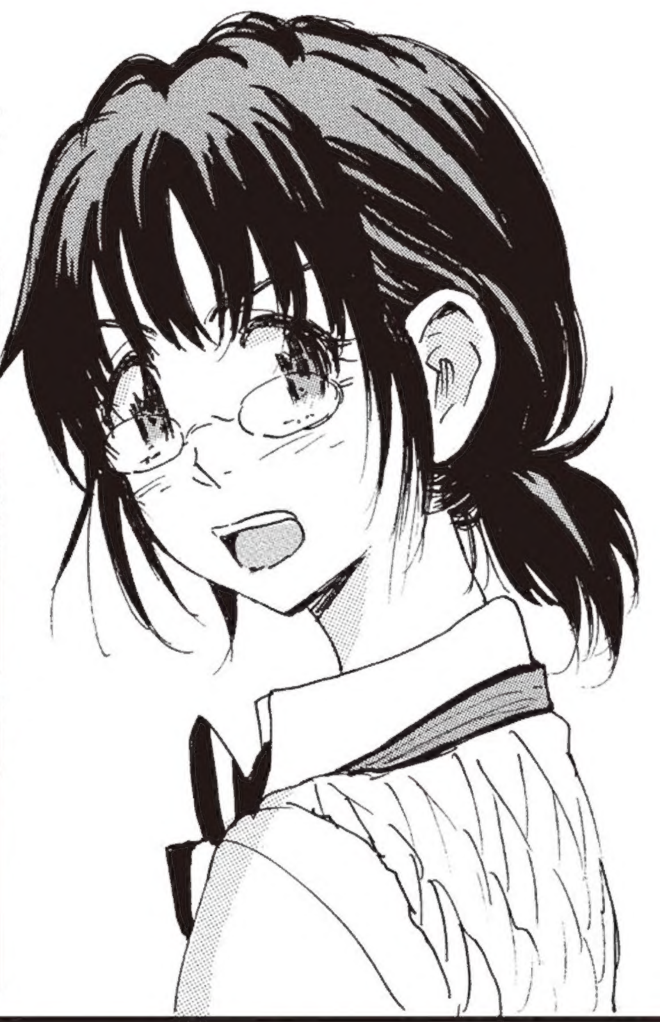
COPP
KEEP OUT



OZU SISTERS

(HIGH SCHOOL THIRD-YEARS)

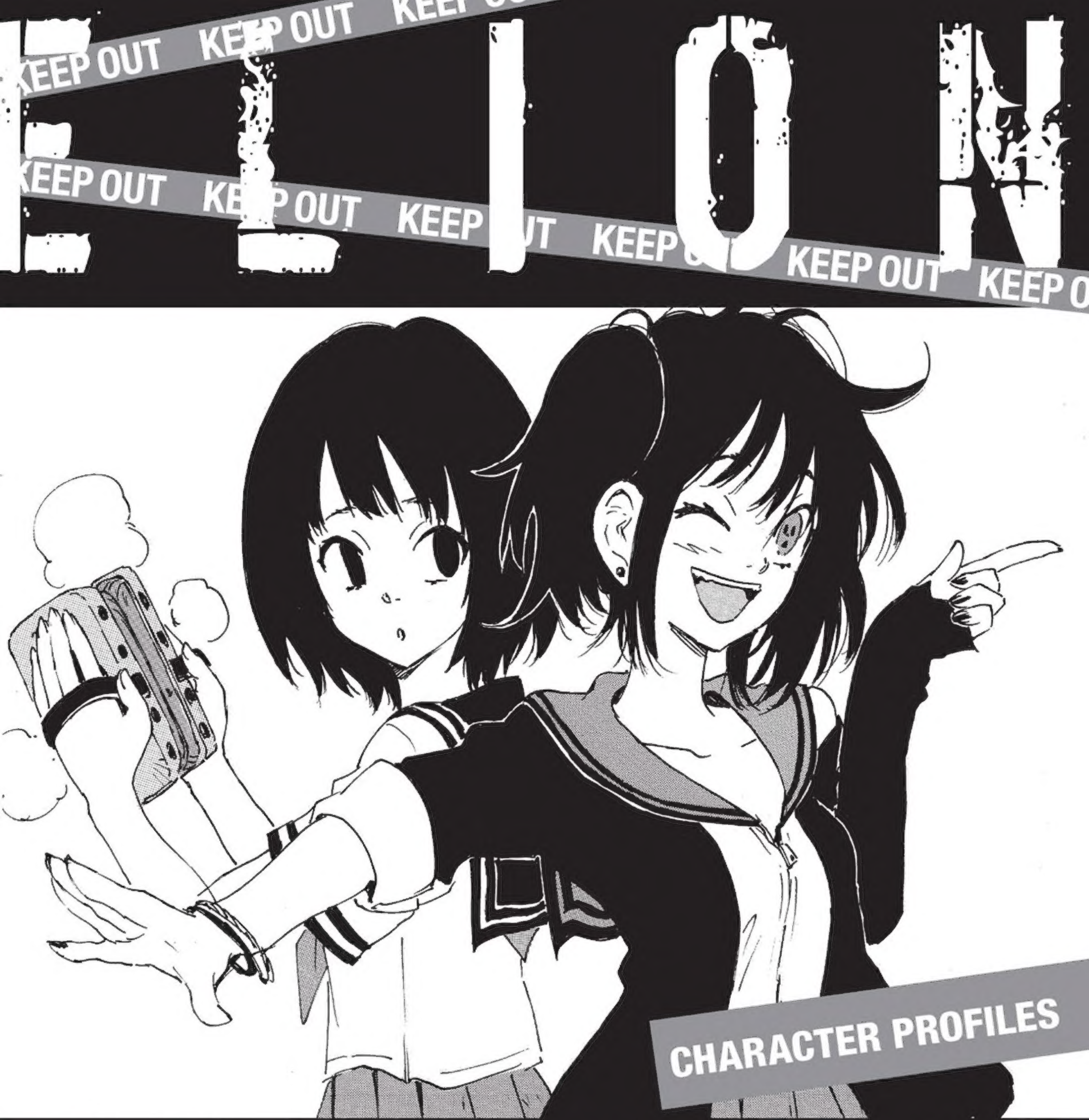
Twin sisters in the Cleanup Crew. Kanon (right), the older sister, can generate lightning, and Shion (left), the younger sister, has super strength. They're both incredibly violent, but reformed after their battle with Ibara.



TAEKO NOMURA

(HIGH SCHOOL FIRST-YEAR)

The Medical Unit's comforting member. She's quite knowledgeable and has superhuman senses (she wears glasses to reduce her eyesight to 10% of its true strength, because she sees too far). She loves animals.



CHARACTER PROFILES

MANA TSUBURAYA

(HIGH SCHOOL SECOND-YEAR)

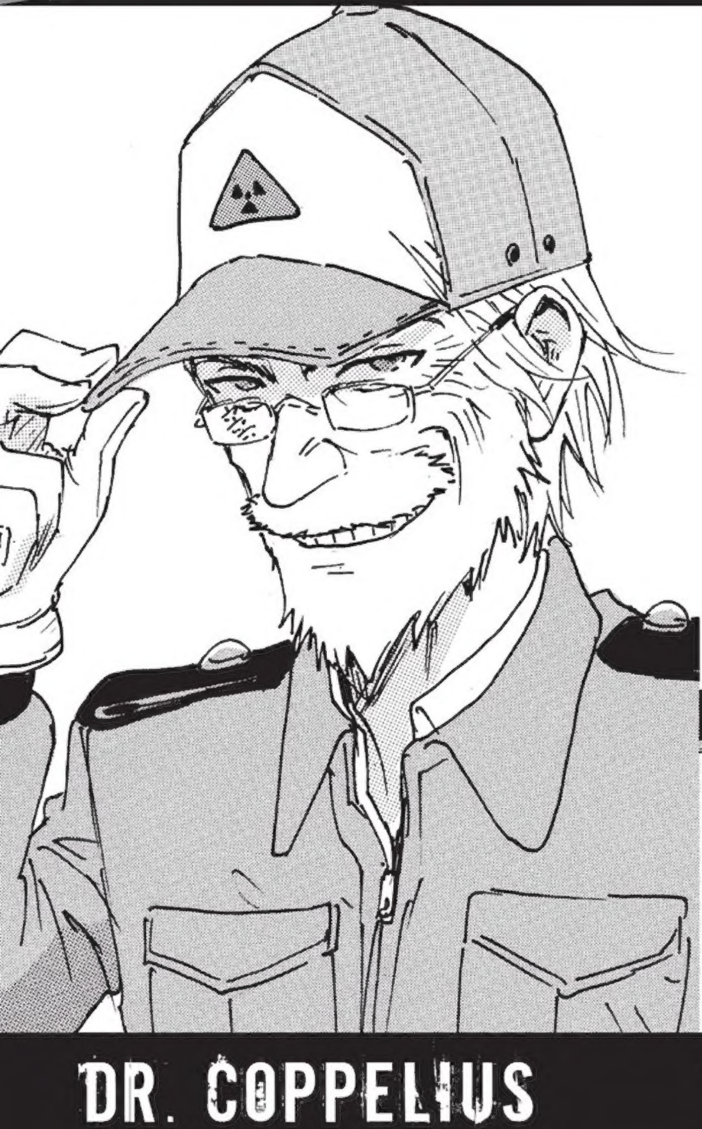
A second-year Coppelion. She's a defect with a "bug"—her body releases neutrons. She possesses incredible power. She's best friends with Meisa Ichikawa, but is currently working with Ibara and company.

MEISA ICHIKAWA

(HIGH SCHOOL SECOND-YEAR)

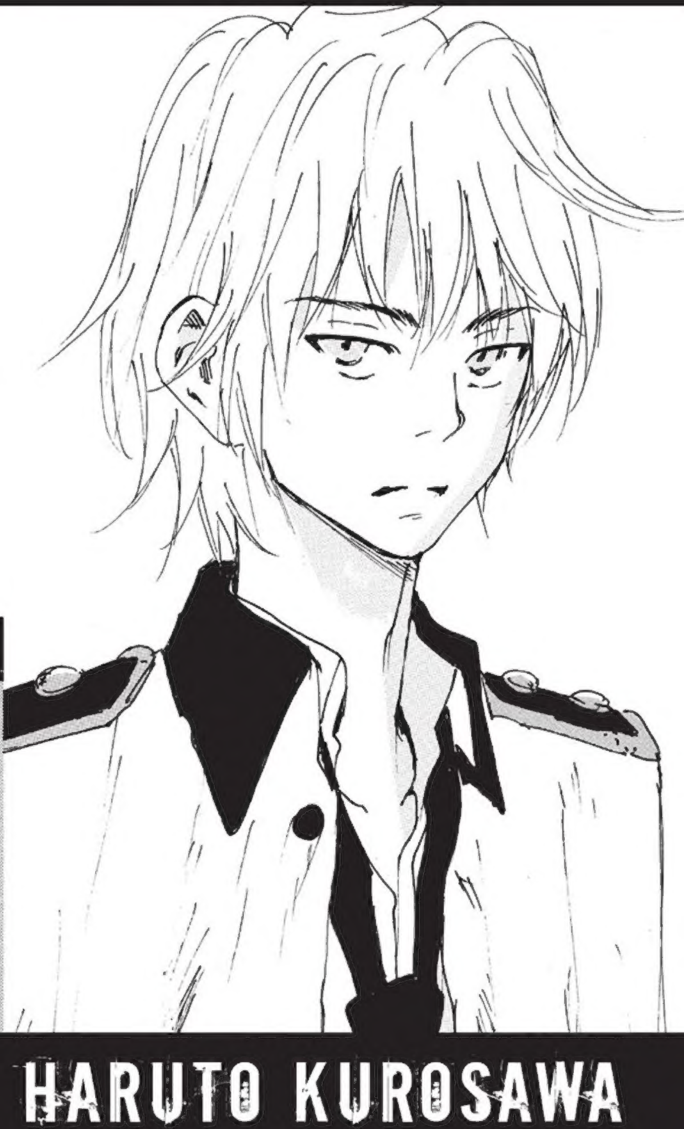
A second-year Coppelion. She can disassemble and reassemble her body at the atomoic level, a power which she calls "particle break." She's working under Dr. Coppelius against Ibara and the others so that he'll fix the second-years' defect. She likes online games.

COPP
KEEP OUT



DR. COPPELIUS

The mad scientist who created the Coppelion. He's using the second-years to help carry out his "grand plan." His target: Aoi Fukasaku, the complete Coppelion. Equipped with "aether plus," a refined version of aether, he lurks in the darkness of Tokyo...



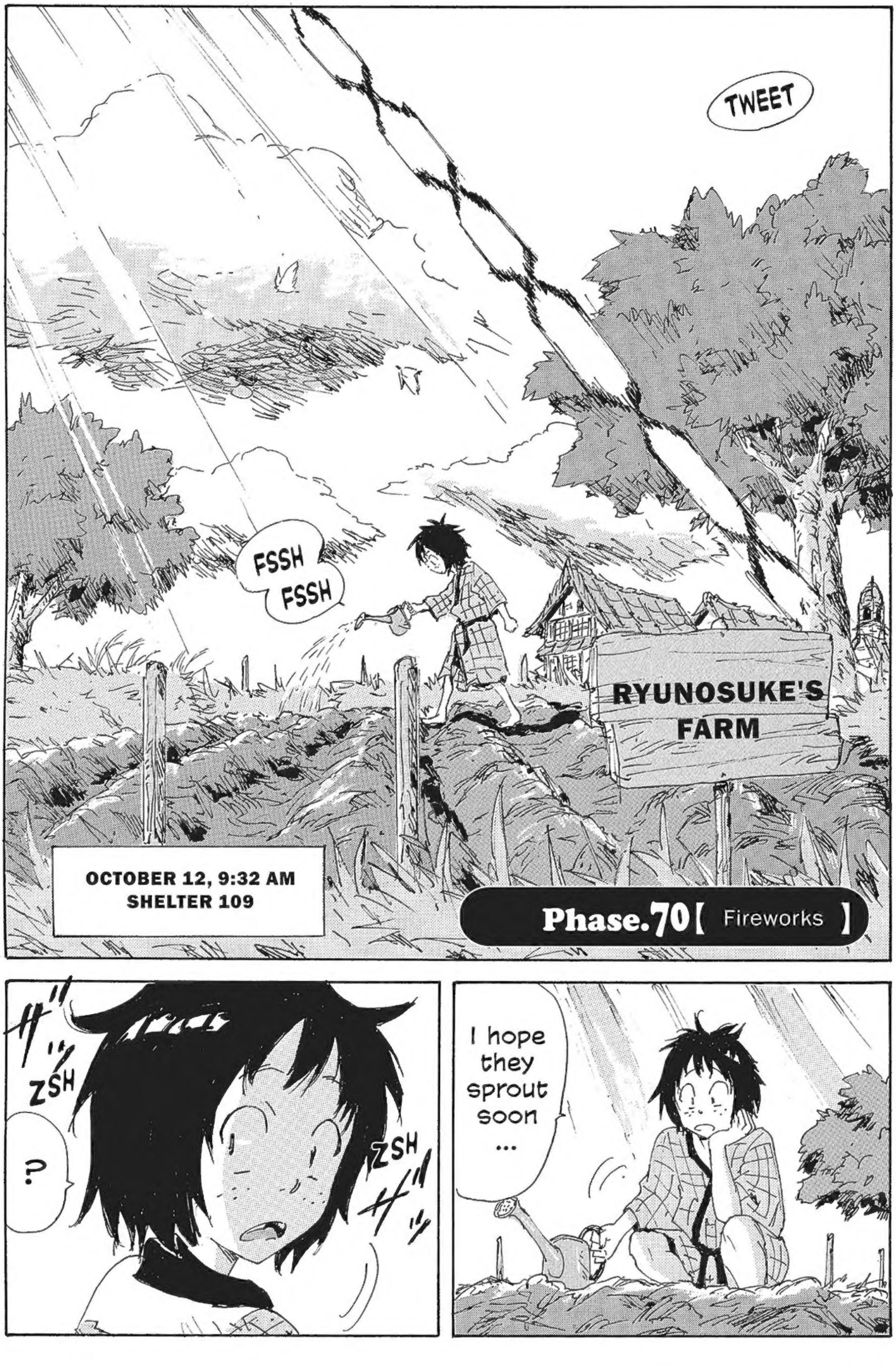
HARUTO KUROSAWA

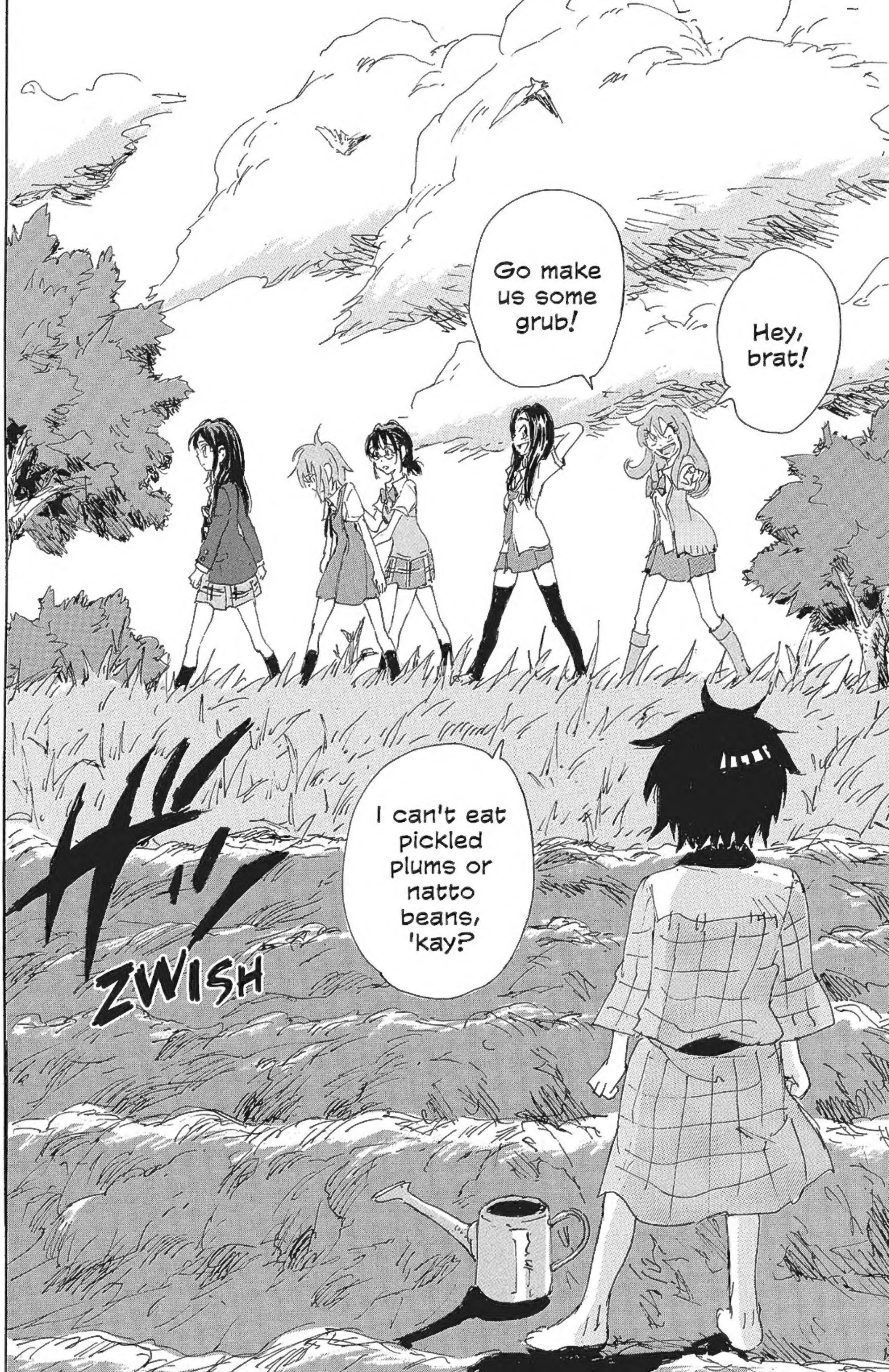
(HIGH SCHOOL THIRD-YEAR)

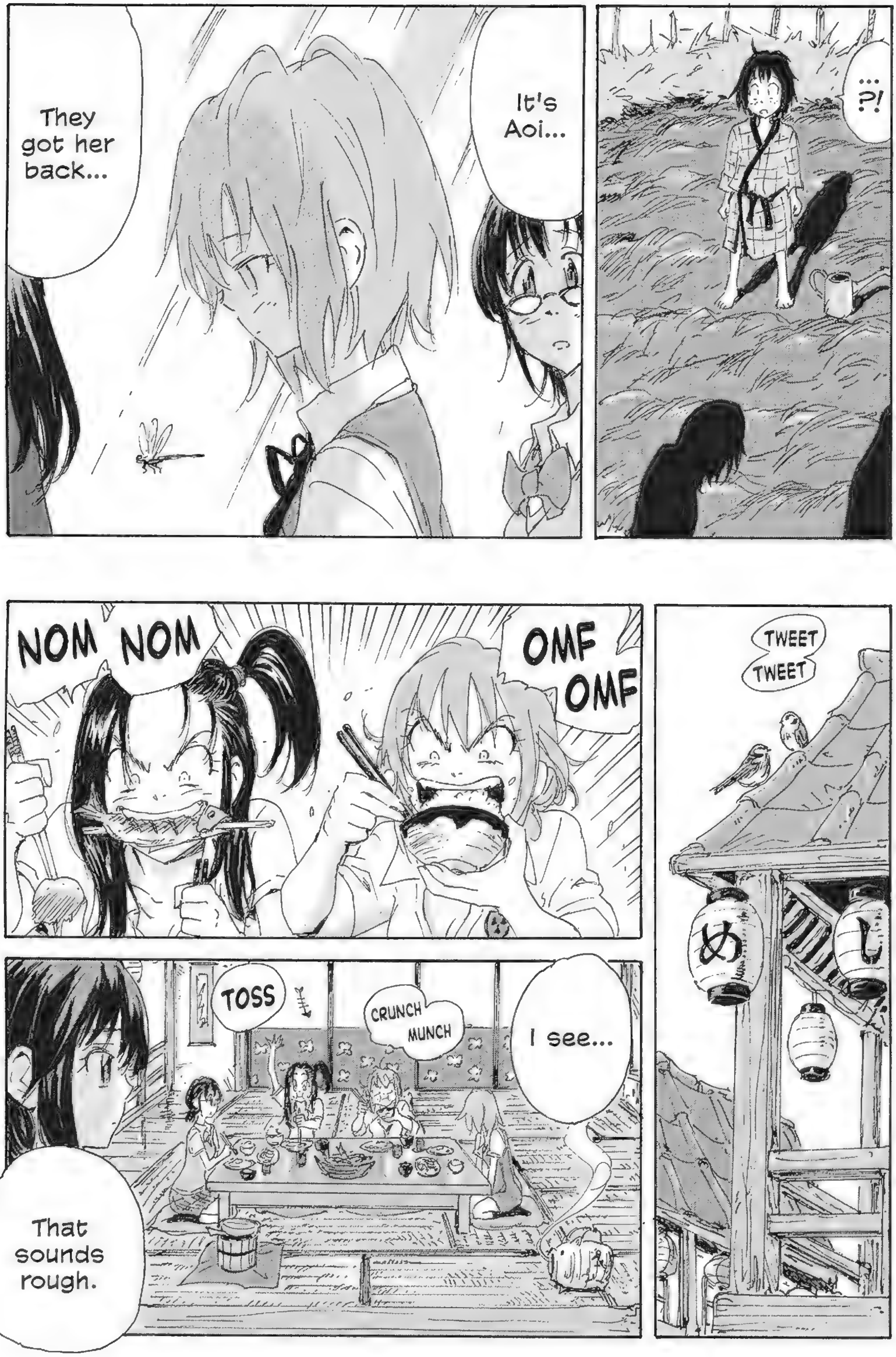
The leader of the Cleanup Crew, and Dr. Coppelius' clone. He has a brilliant mind and always keeps his cool. He was thought to have died during the Musashino Railway Operation, but is back in action thanks to his ultra-regeneration powers.

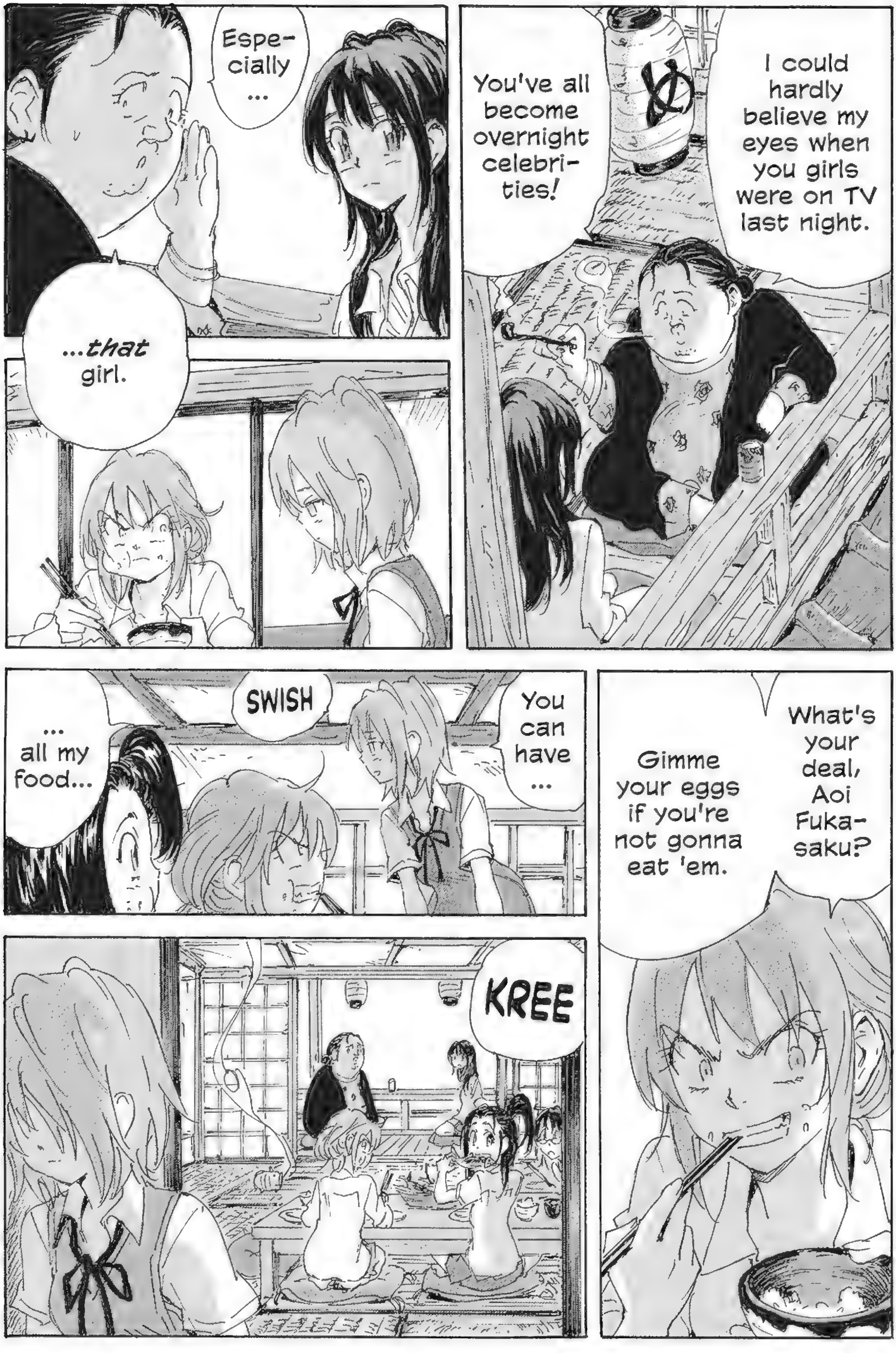
COPPELION
コッペリオン

Phase.70【 Fireworks 】


TWEET
FSSH FSSH
RYUNOSUKE'S FARM
OCTOBER 12, 9:32 AM
SHELTER 109
I hope they sprout soon ...
ZSH
ZSH
?


Hey, brat!
Go make us some grub!
I can't eat pickled plums or natto beans, 'kay?
ザッ
ZWISH


...?!
It's Aoi...
They got her back...
TWEET TWEET
め し
OMF OMF
NOM NOM
I see...
CRUNCH MUNCH
TOSS
That sounds rough.


I could hardly believe my eyes when you girls were on TV last night.
You've all become overnight celebrities!
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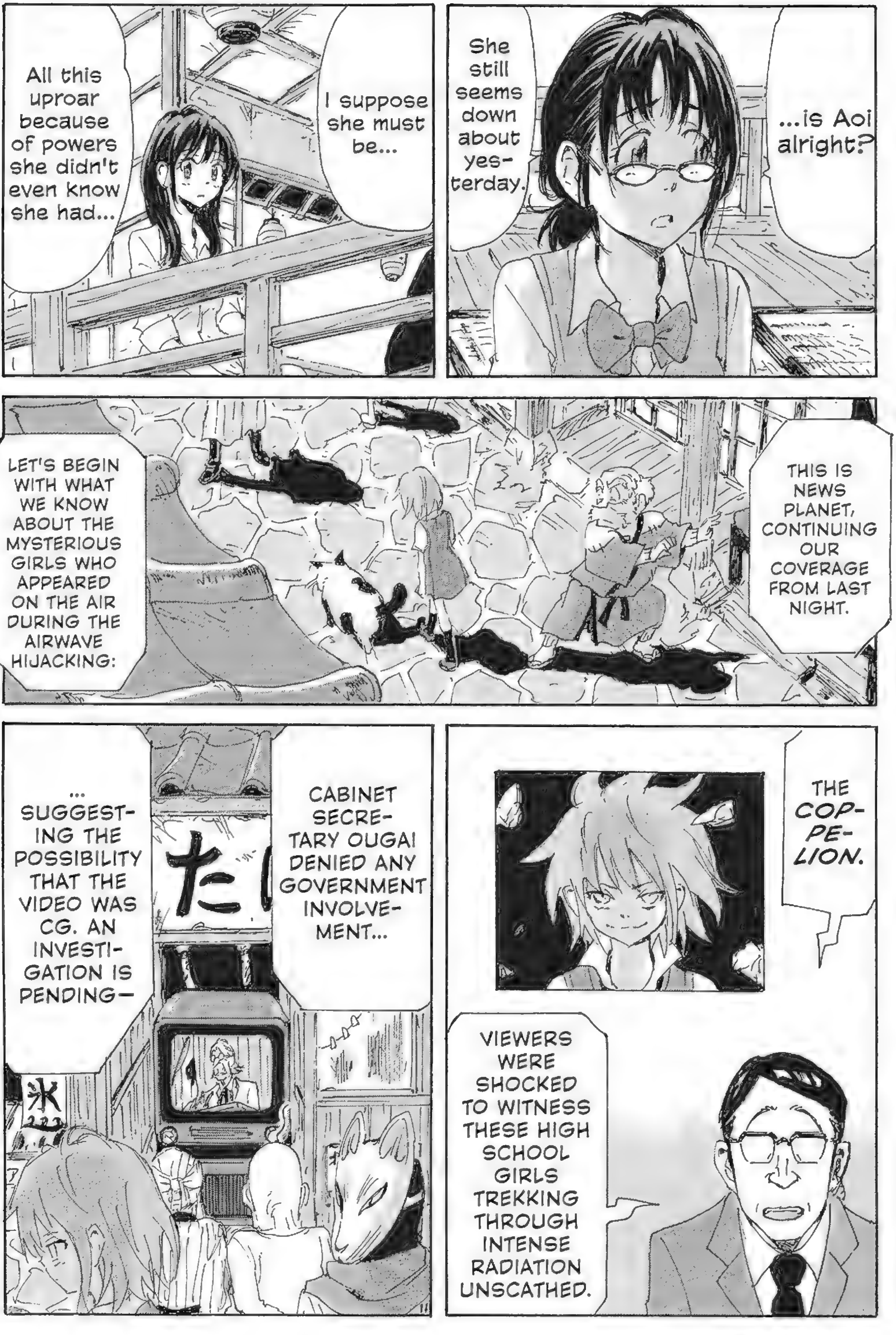
Especially...
...*that* girl.
What's your deal, Aoi Fukasaku?
Gimme your eggs if you're not gonna eat 'em.
You can have...
SWISH
... all my food...
KREE


...is Aoi alright?
She still seems down about yesterday.
I suppose she must be...
All this uproar because of powers she didn't even know she had...
THIS IS NEWS PLANET, CONTINUING OUR COVERAGE FROM LAST NIGHT.
LET'S BEGIN WITH WHAT WE KNOW ABOUT THE MYSTERIOUS GIRLS WHO APPEARED ON THE AIR DURING THE AIRWAVE HIJACKING:
THE *COPPELION.*
VIEWERS WERE SHOCKED TO WITNESS THESE HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS TREKKING THROUGH INTENSE RADIATION UNSCATHED.
CABINET SECRETARY OUGAI DENIED ANY GOVERNMENT INVOLVEMENT...
...SUGGESTING THE POSSIBILITY THAT THE VIDEO WAS CG. AN INVESTIGATION IS PENDING—
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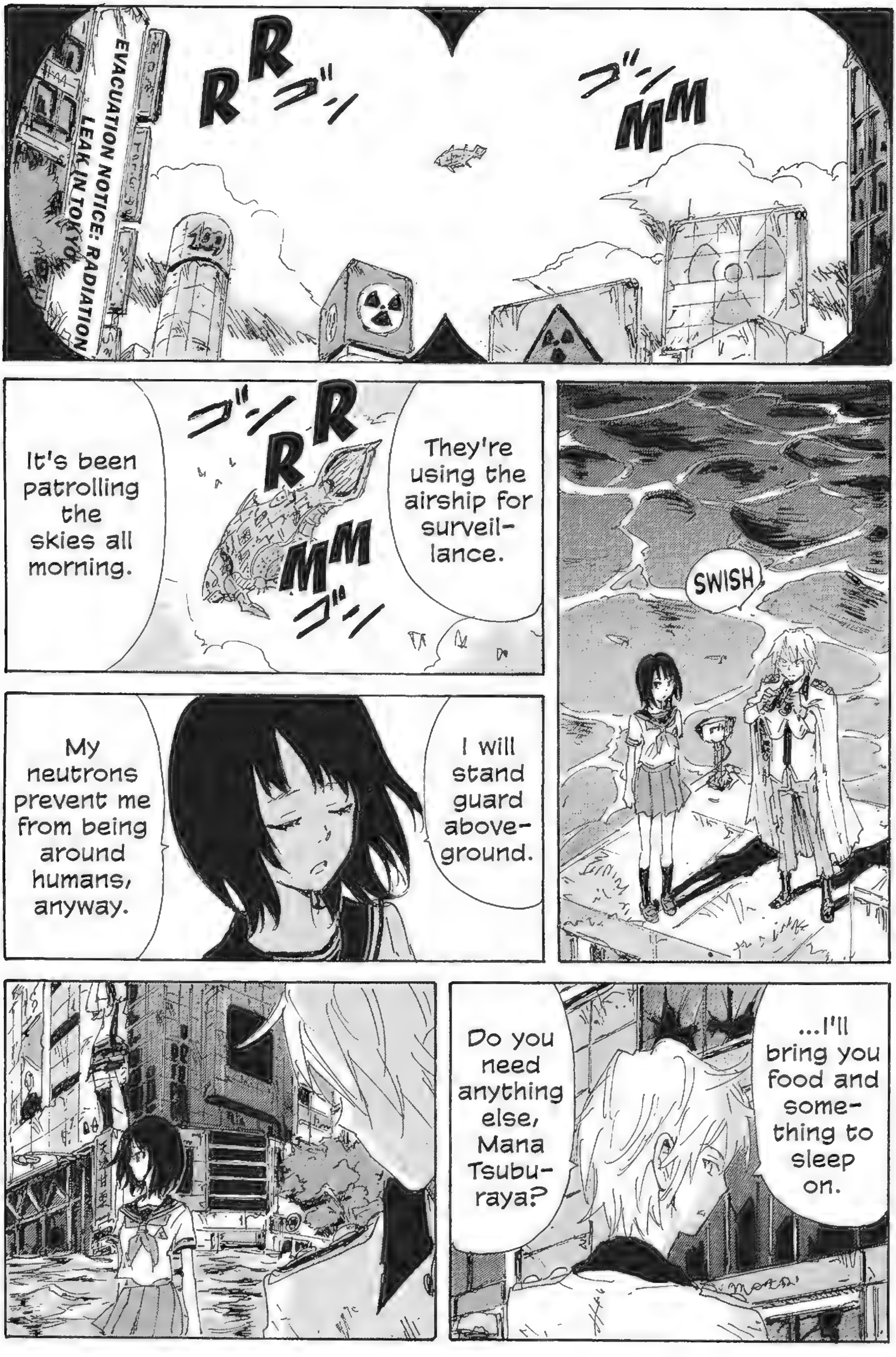
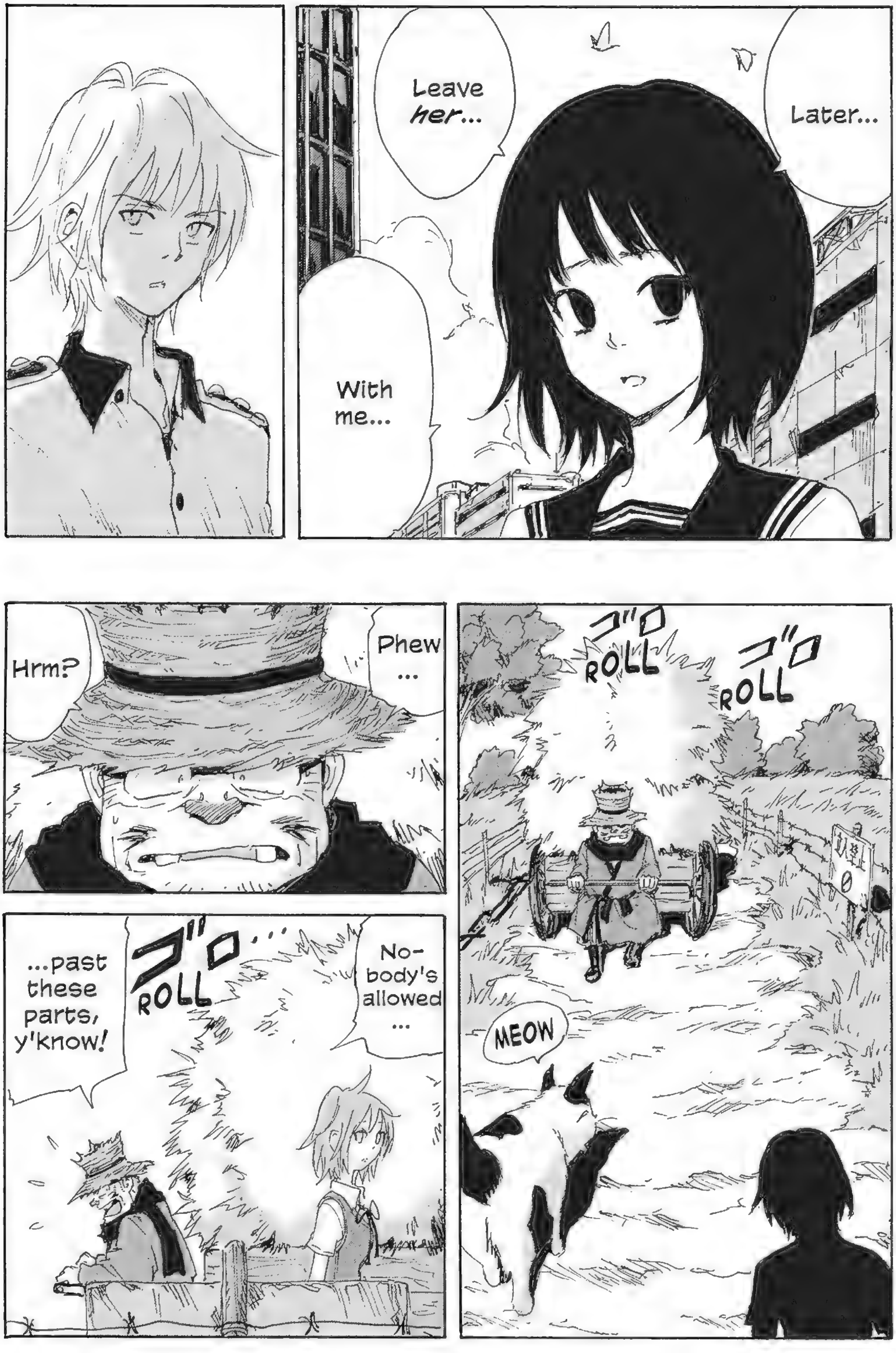
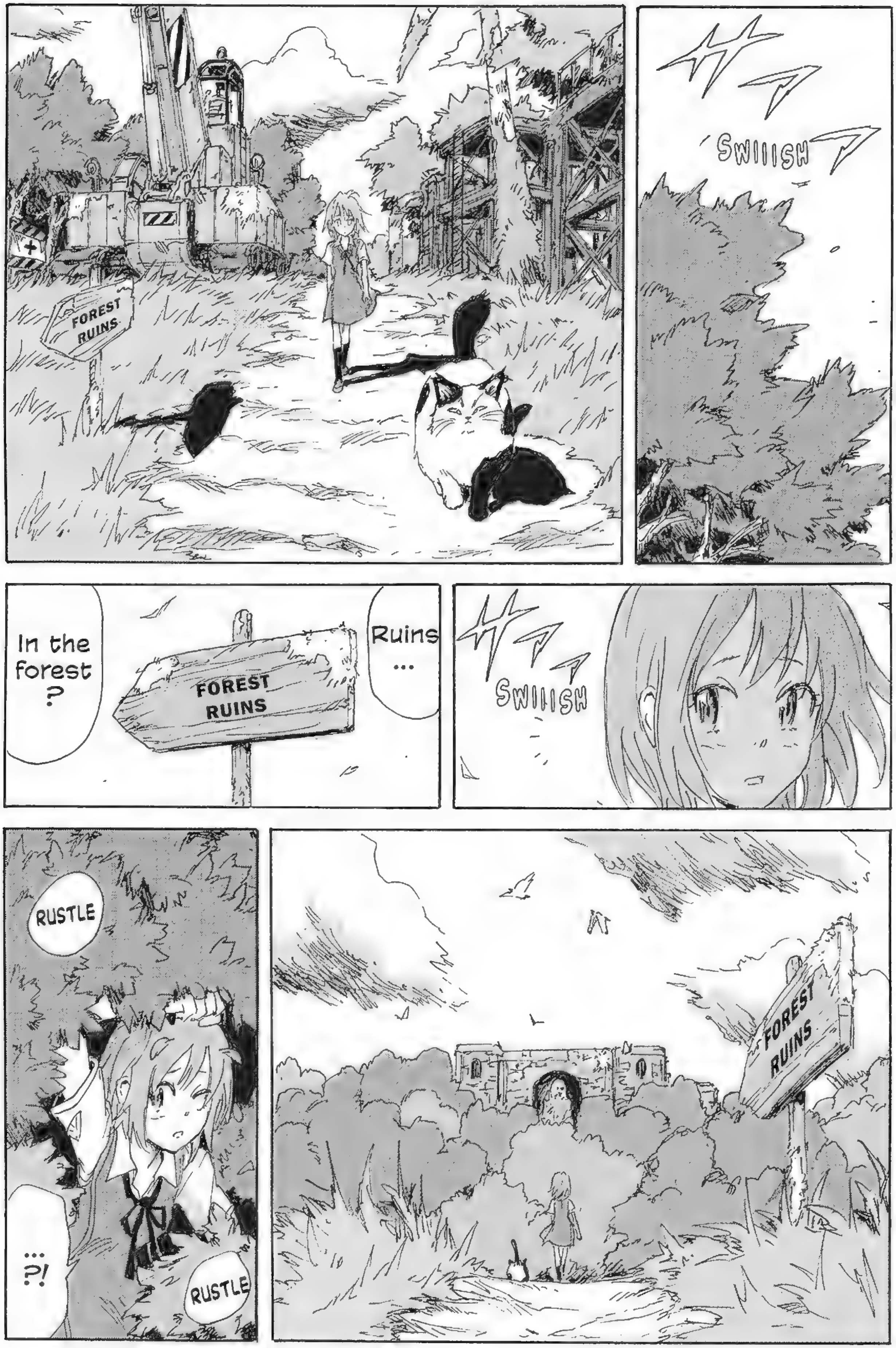

EVACUATION NOTICE: RADIATION LEAK IN TOKYO
109
RR ゴン
ゴン MM
SWISH
They're using the airship for surveillance.
RR ゴン
MM ゴン
It's been patrolling the skies all morning.
I will stand guard aboveground.
My neutrons prevent me from being around humans, anyway.
...I'll bring you food and something to sleep on.
Do you need anything else, Mana Tsuburaya?


Later...
Leave *her*...
With me...
ゴロ ROLL
ゴロ ROLL
MEOW
Phew...
Hrm?
No-body's allowed...
ゴロ... ROLL
...past these parts, y'know!


サァァ
SWIIISH
FOREST RUINS
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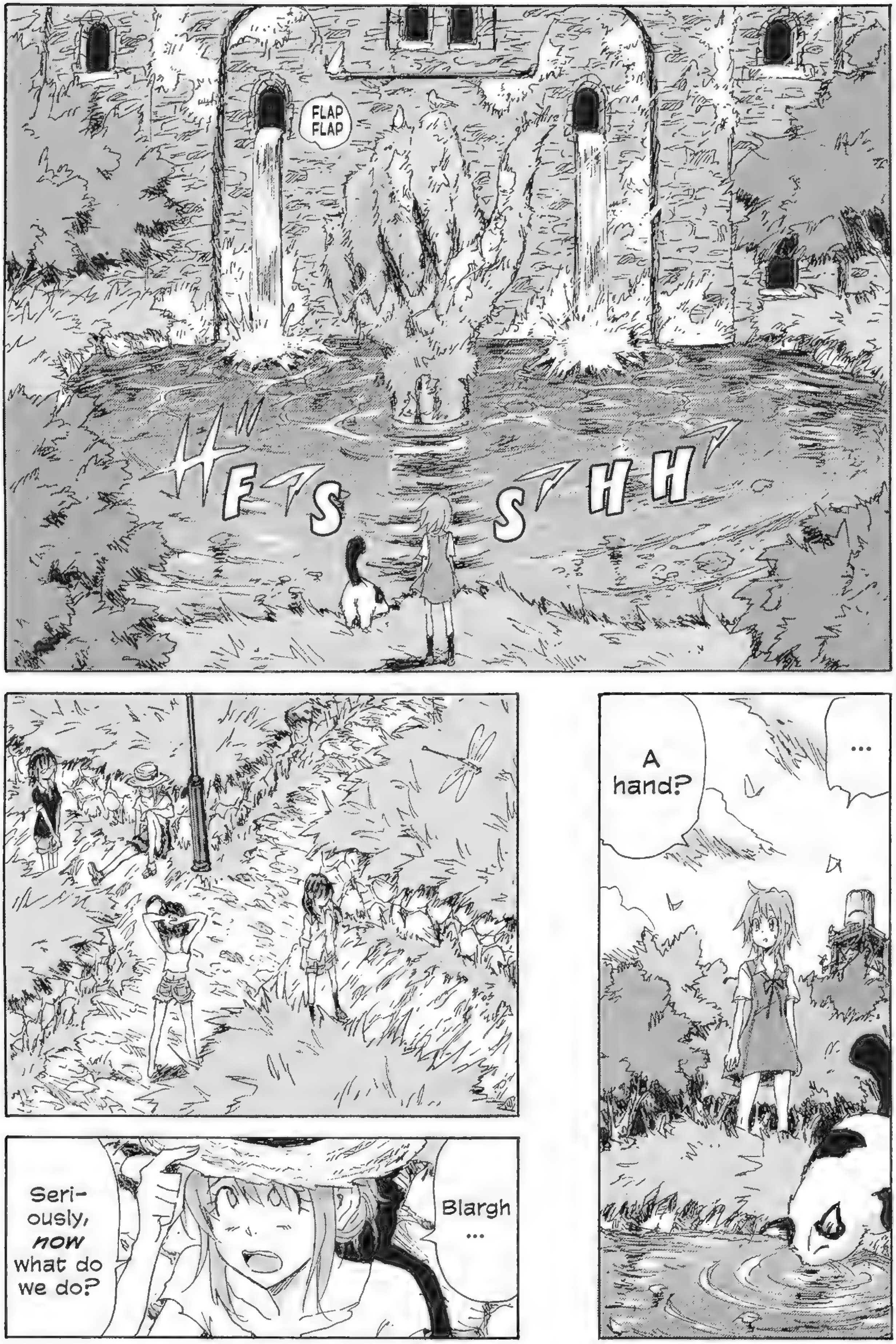
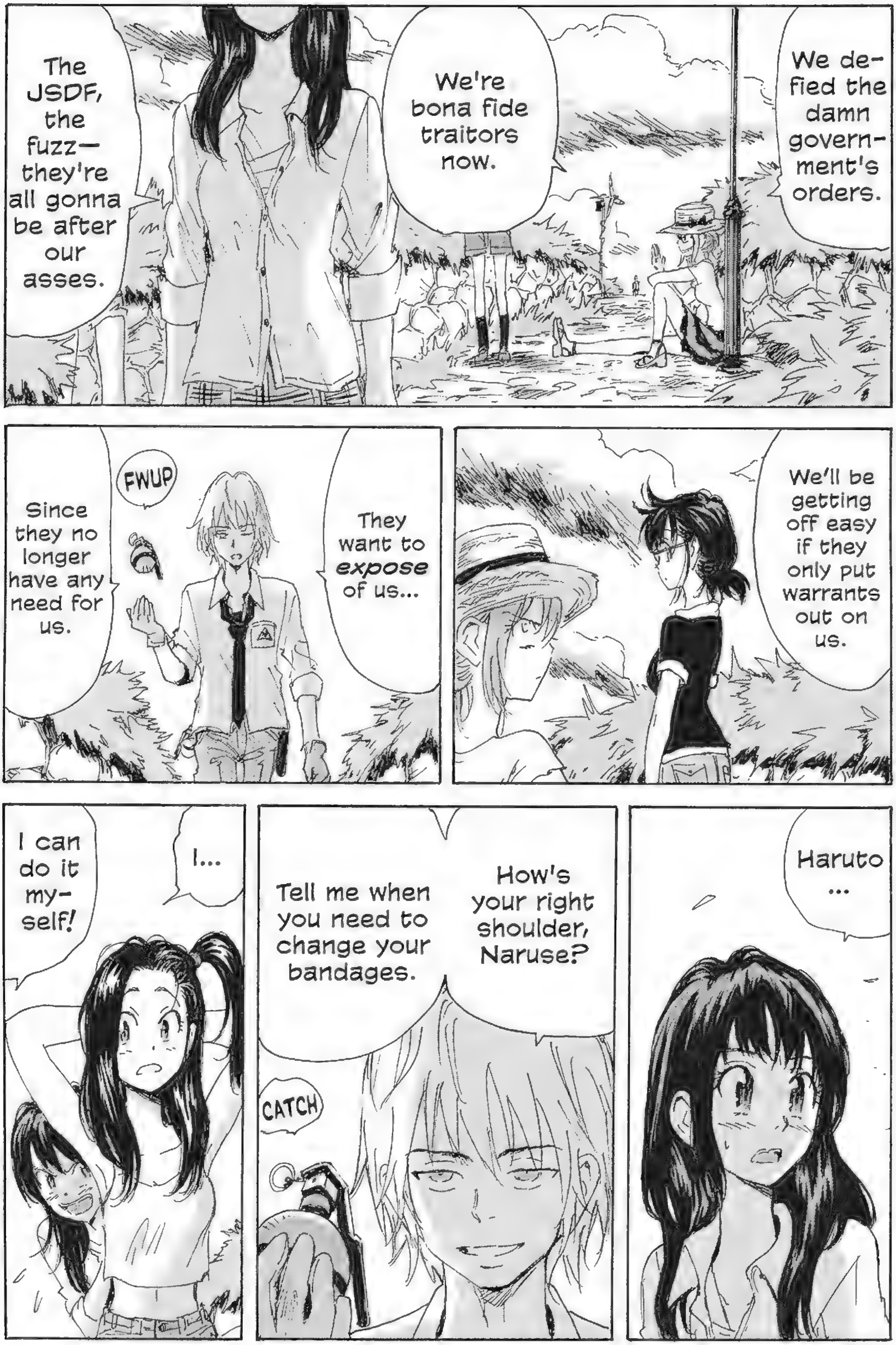
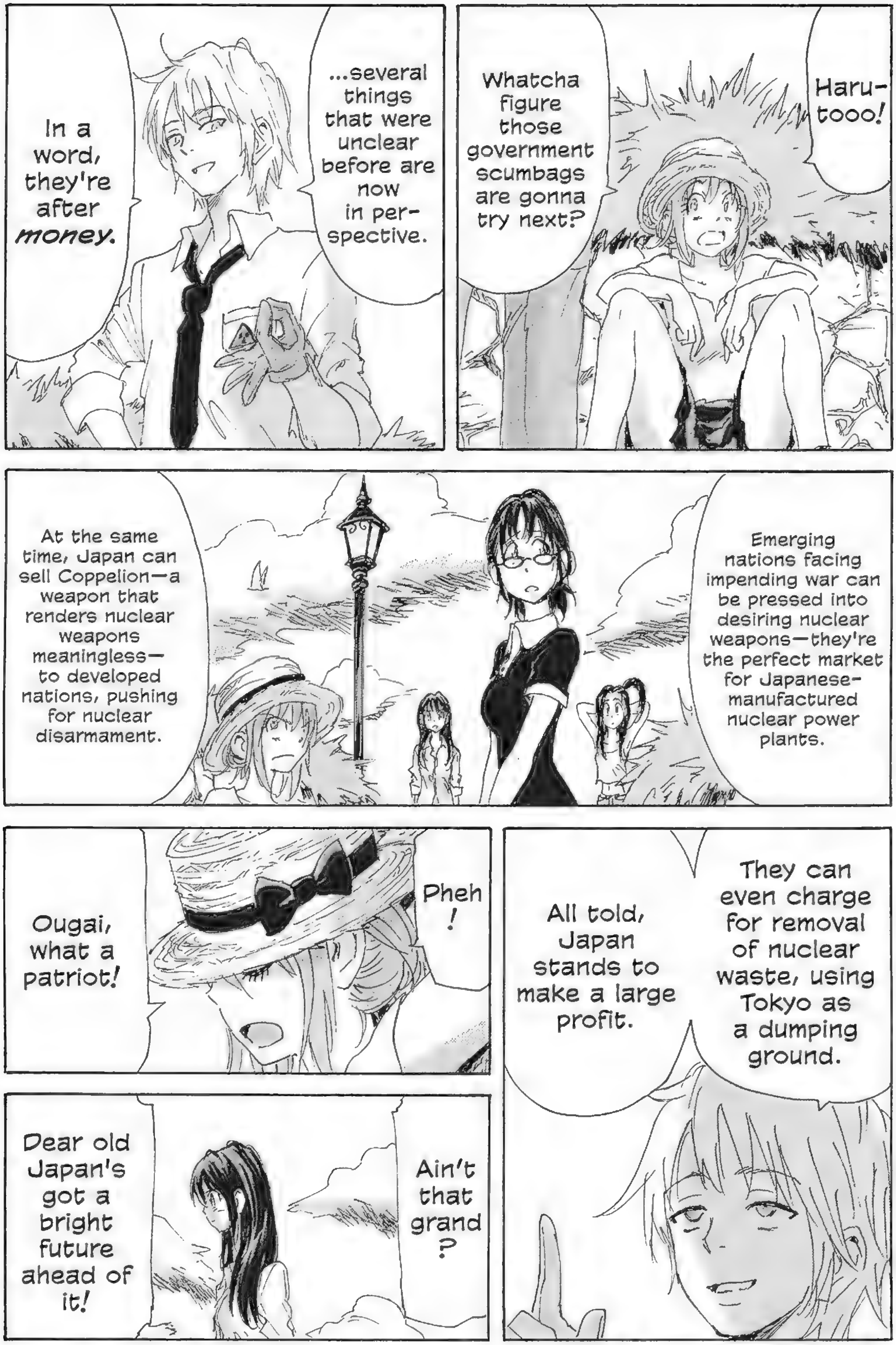
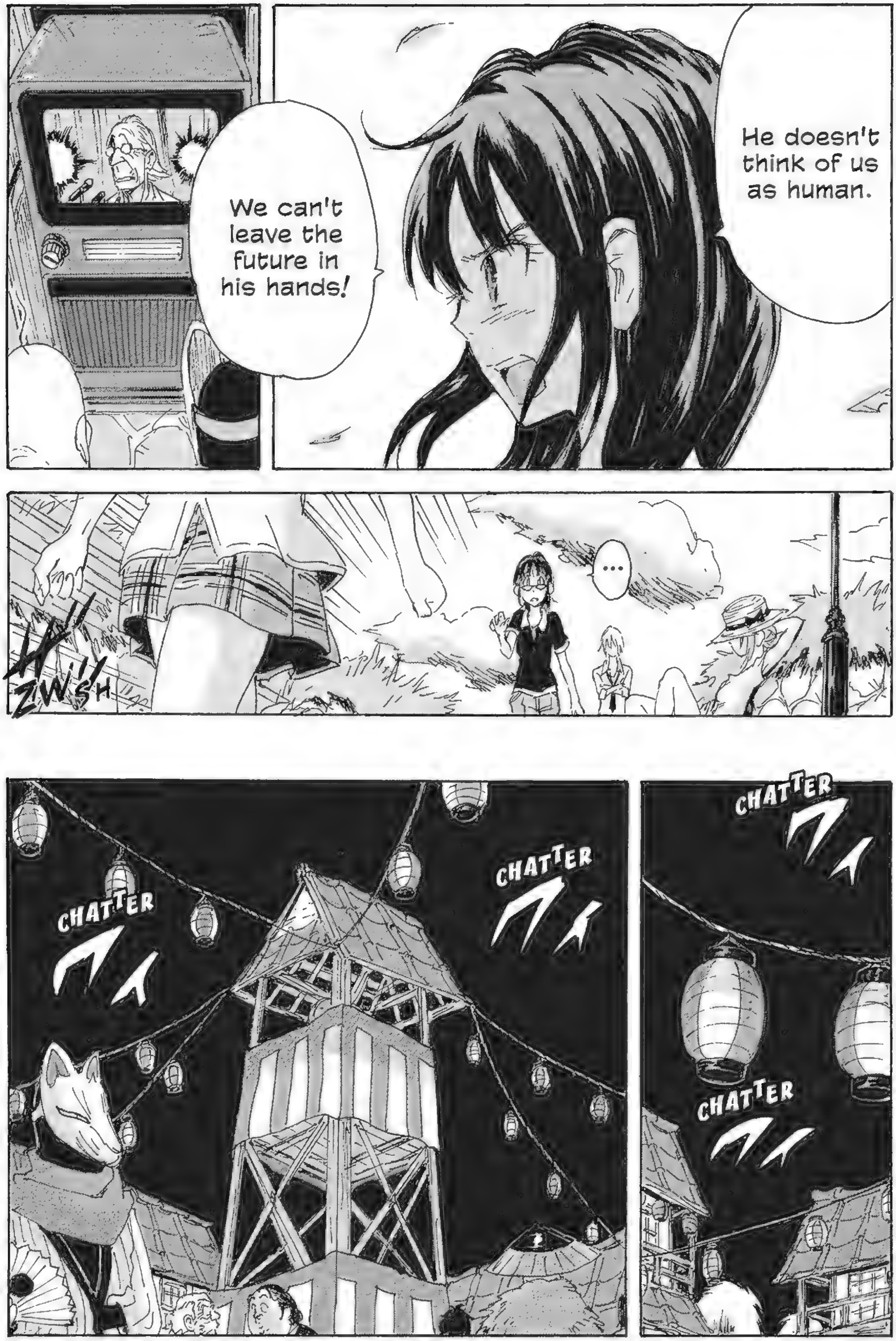
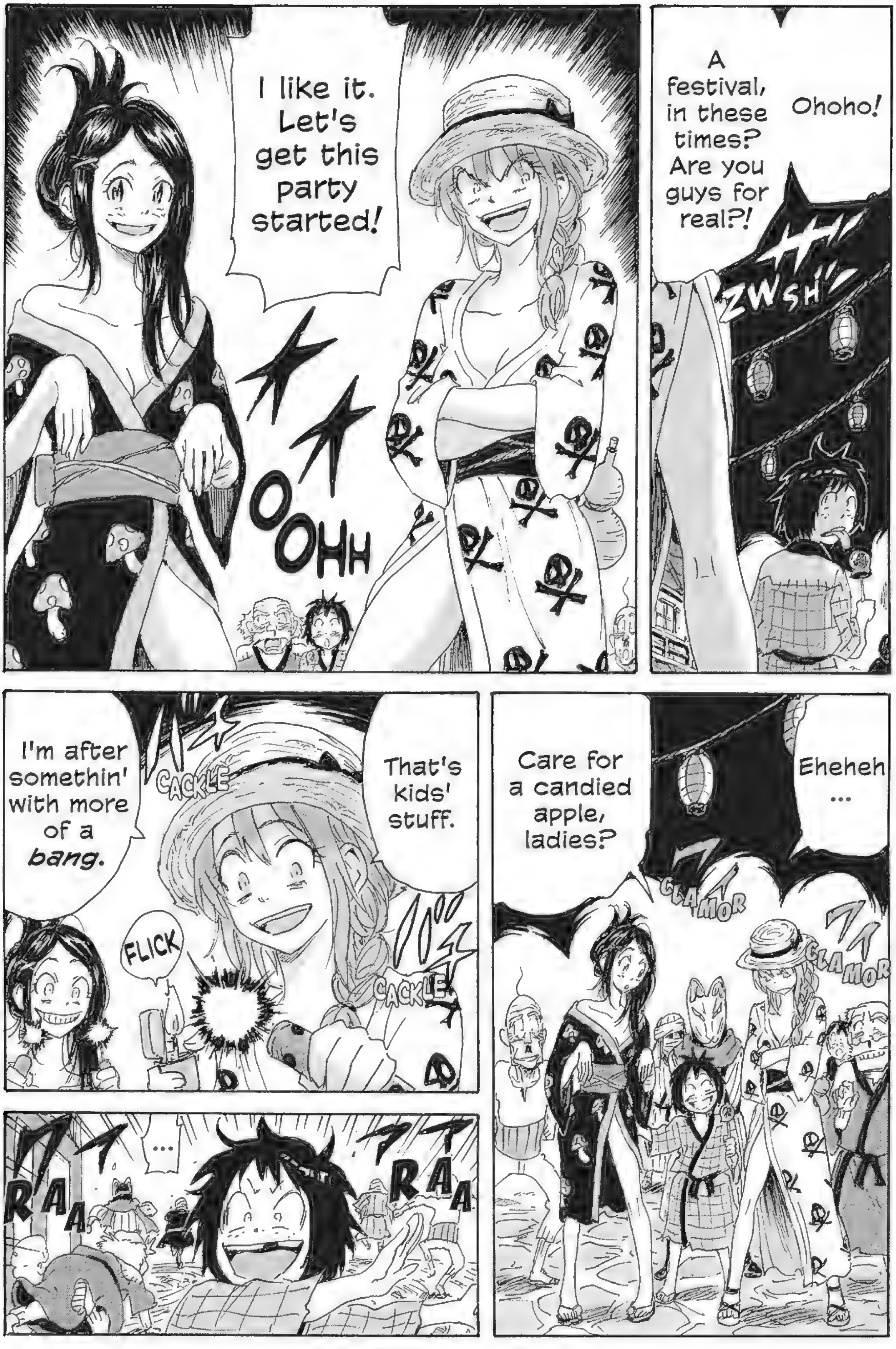
SWIIISH
Ruins...
FOREST RUINS
In the forest?
FOREST RUINS
RUSTLE
RUSTLE
...?!

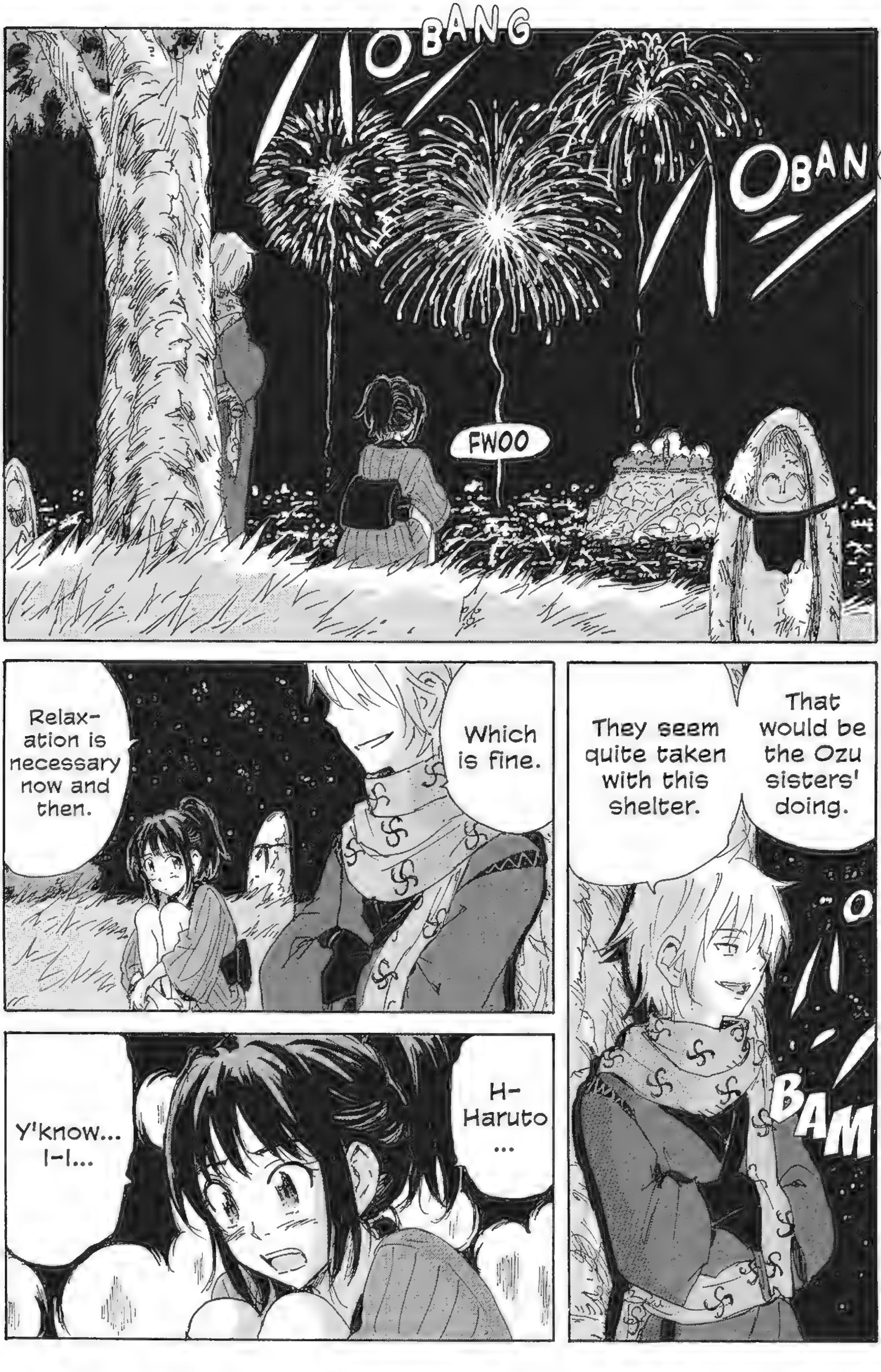

FLAP FLAP
FSSHH
...
A hand?
Blargh...
Seriously, *now* what do we do?

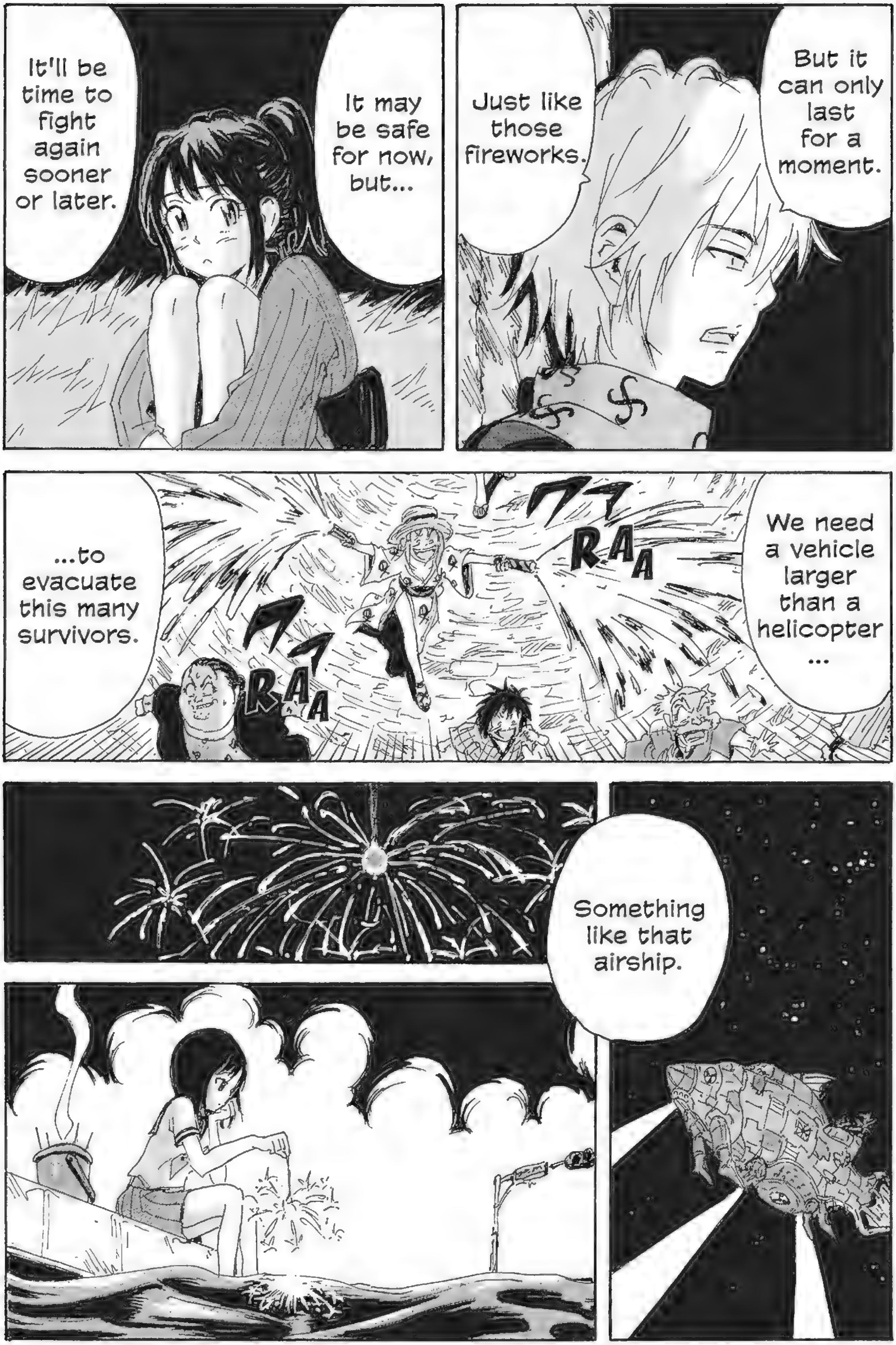

We defied the damn government's orders.
We're bona fide traitors now.
The JSDF, the fuzz—they're all gonna be after our asses.
We'll be getting off easy if they only put warrants out on us.
They want to *expose* of us...
FWUP
Since they no longer have any need for us.
Haruto ...
How's your right shoulder, Naruse?
Tell me when you need to change your bandages.
CATCH
I...
I can do it myself!

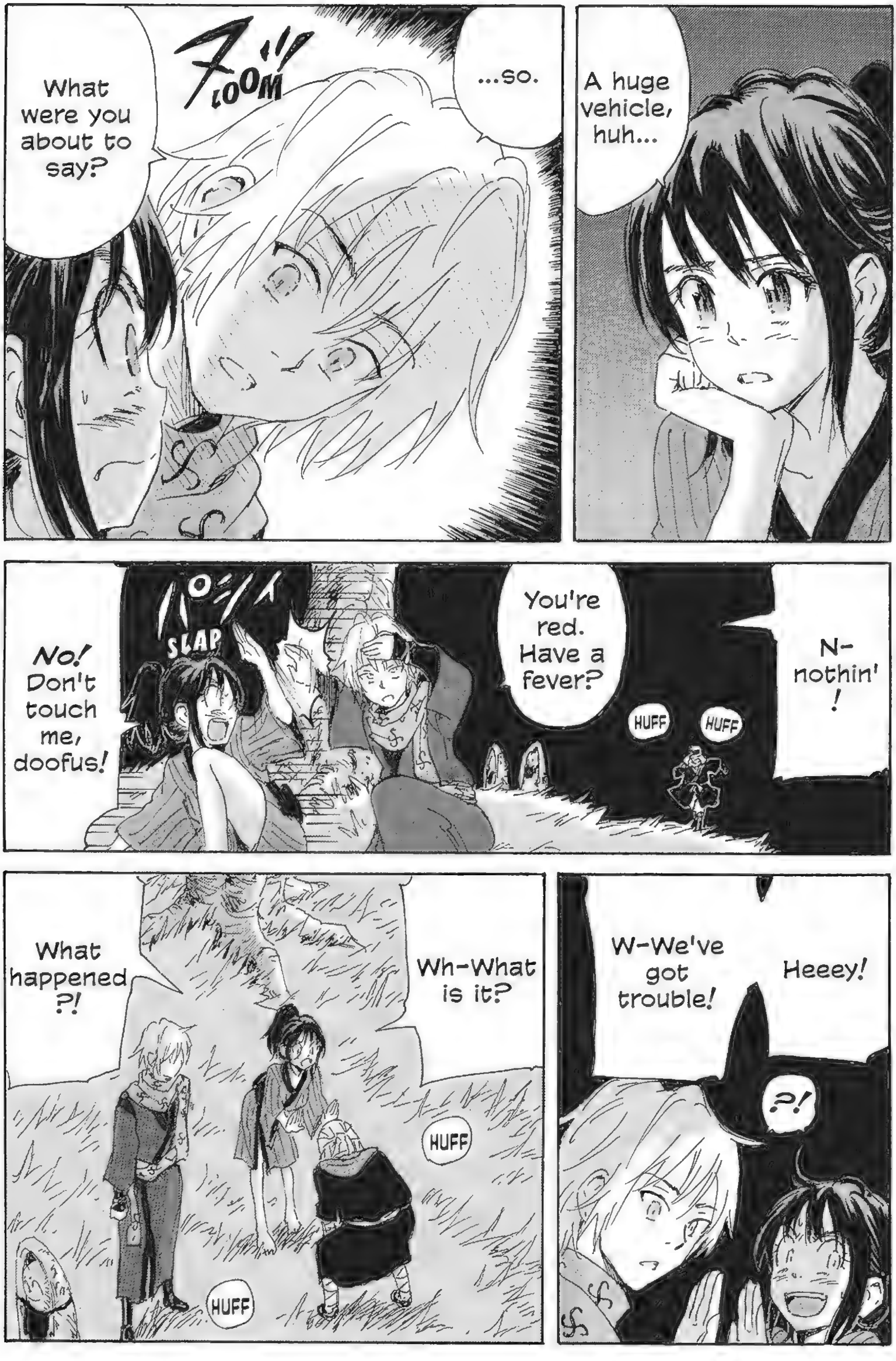

Harutooo!
Whatcha figure those government scumbags are gonna try next?
...several things that were unclear before are now in perspective.
In a word, they're after *money*.
Emerging nations facing impending war can be pressed into desiring nuclear weapons—they're the perfect market for Japanese-manufactured nuclear power plants.
At the same time, Japan can sell Coppelion—a weapon that renders nuclear weapons meaningless—to developed nations, pushing for nuclear disarmament.
They can even charge for removal of nuclear waste, using Tokyo as a dumping ground.
All told, Japan stands to make a large profit.
Pheh!
Ougai, what a patriot!
Ain't that grand?
Dear old Japan's got a bright future ahead of it!

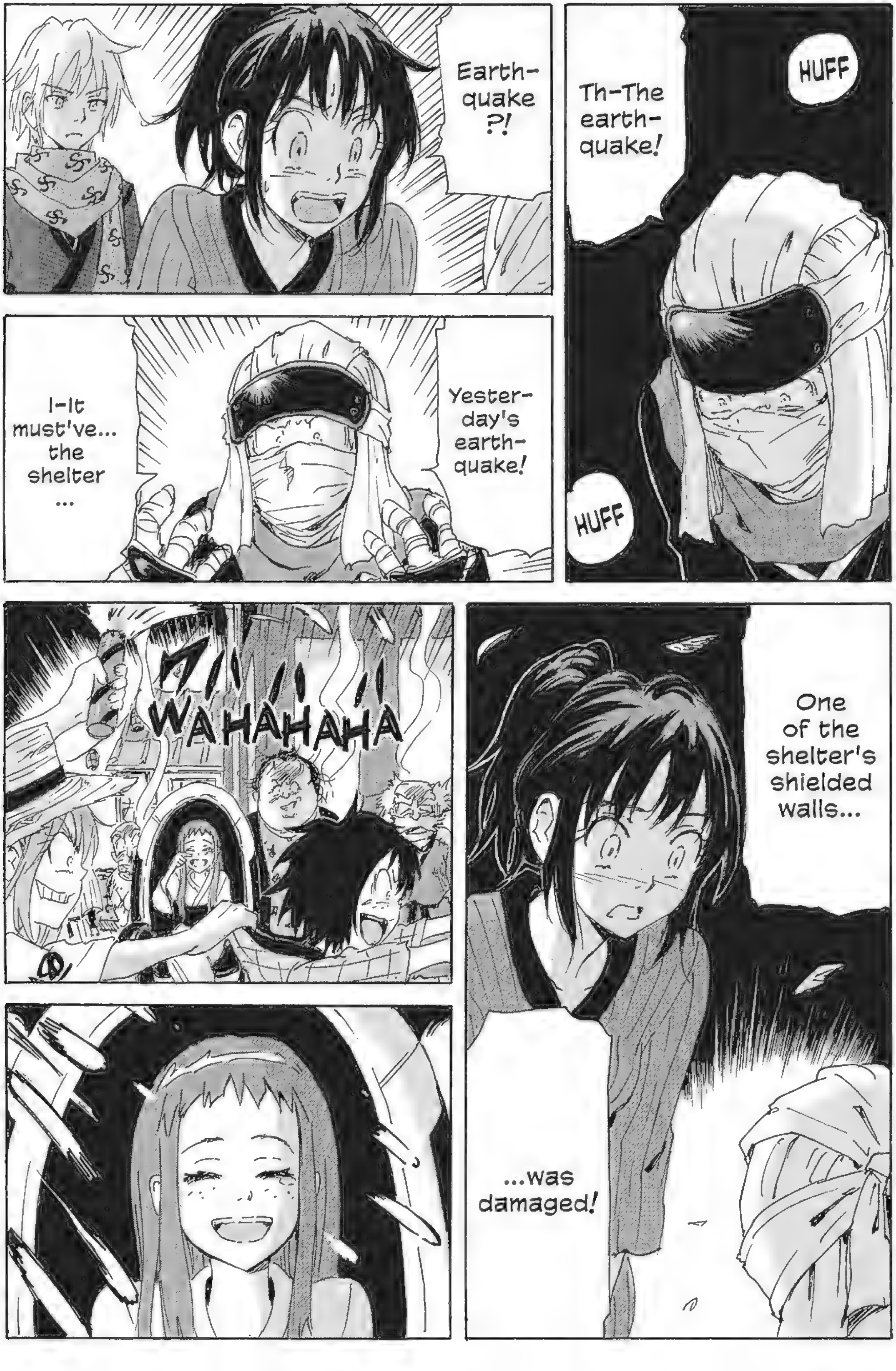

He doesn't think of us as human.
We can't leave the future in his hands!
ZWISH
...
CHATTER
CHATTER
CHATTER
CHATTER

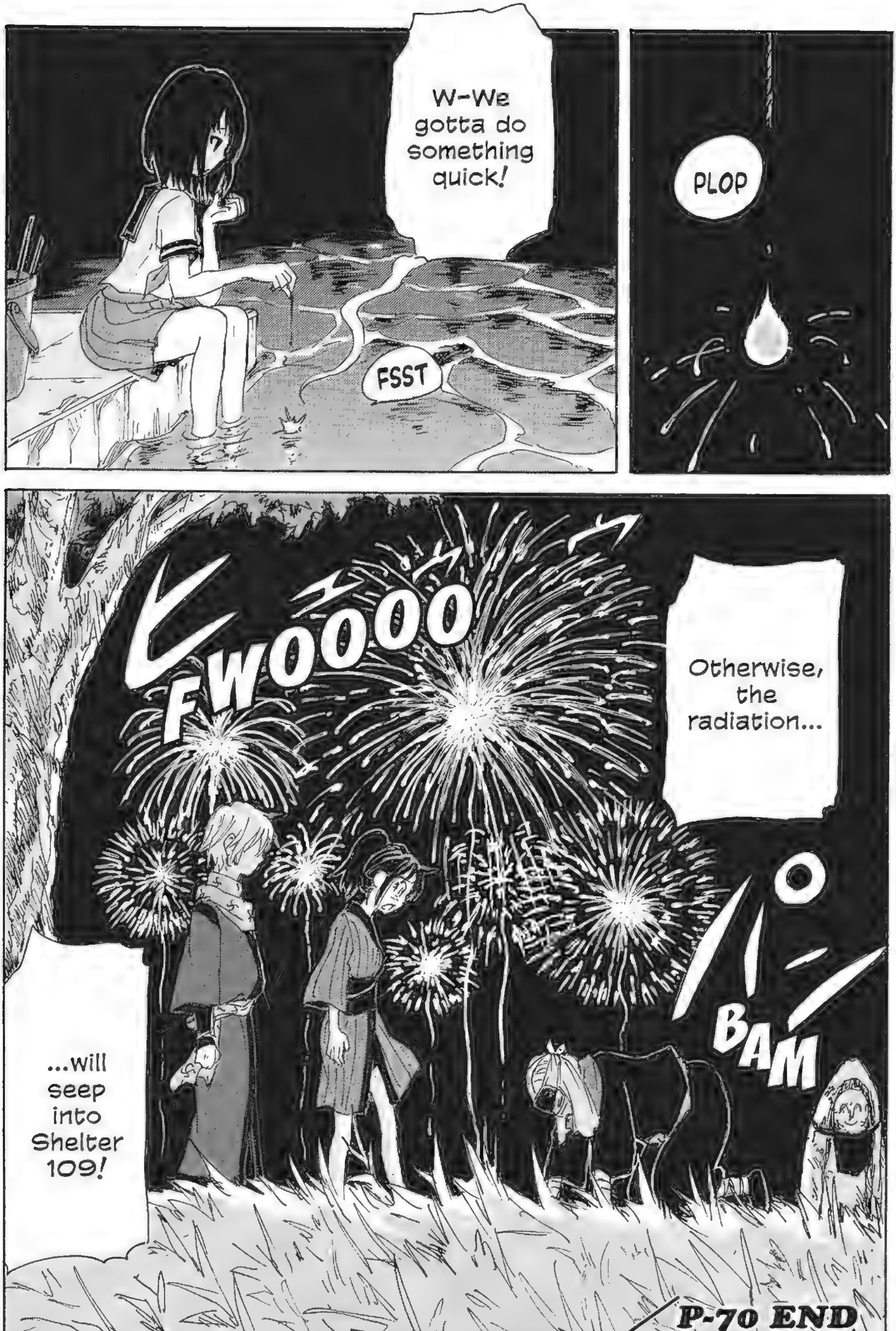

Ohoho!
A festival, in these times? Are you guys for real?!
ZWSH
I like it. Let's get this party started!
OOHH
Eheheh...
Care for a candied apple, ladies?
CLAMOR
CLAMOR
That's kids' stuff.
I'm after somethin' with more of a *bang*.
CACKLE
CACKLE
FLICK
...
RAA
RAA


BANG
BANG
FWOO
That would be the Ozu sisters' doing.
They seem quite taken with this shelter.
BAM
Which is fine.
Relaxation is necessary now and then.
H-Haruto...
Y'know... I-I...

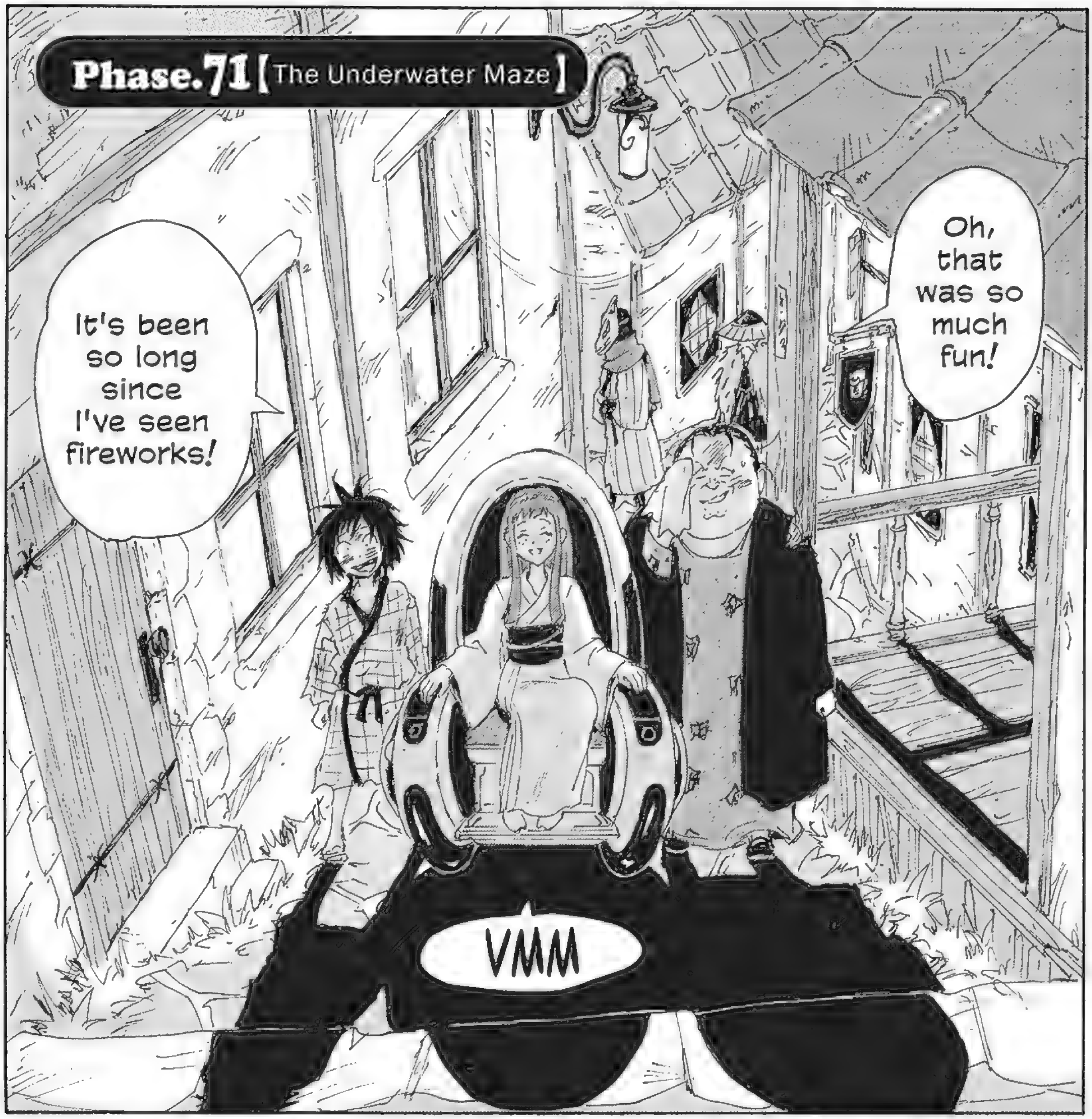

But it can only last for a moment.
Just like those fireworks.
It may be safe for now, but...
It'll be time to fight again sooner or later.
We need a vehicle larger than a helicopter...
RAA
...to evacuate this many survivors.
RAA
Something like that airship.

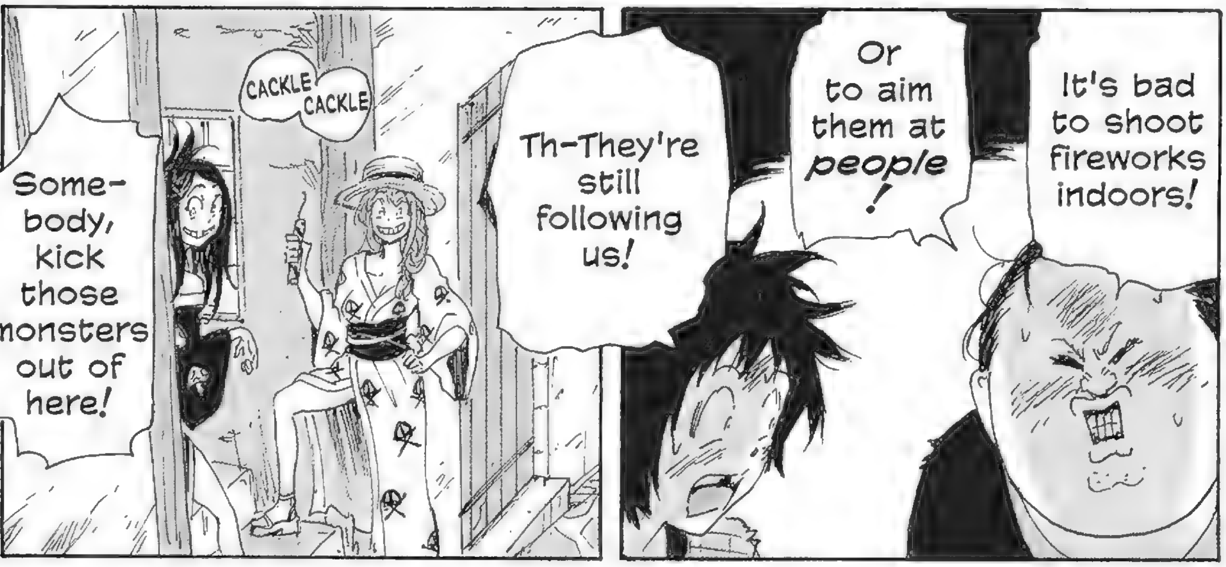

A huge vehicle, huh...
...so.
ZOOM
What were you about to say?
N-nothin'!
You're red. Have a fever?
HUFF
HUFF
パシィ
SLAP
No! Don't touch me, doofus!
Heeey!
W-We've got trouble!
?!
Wh-What is it?
What happened?!
HUFF
HUFF

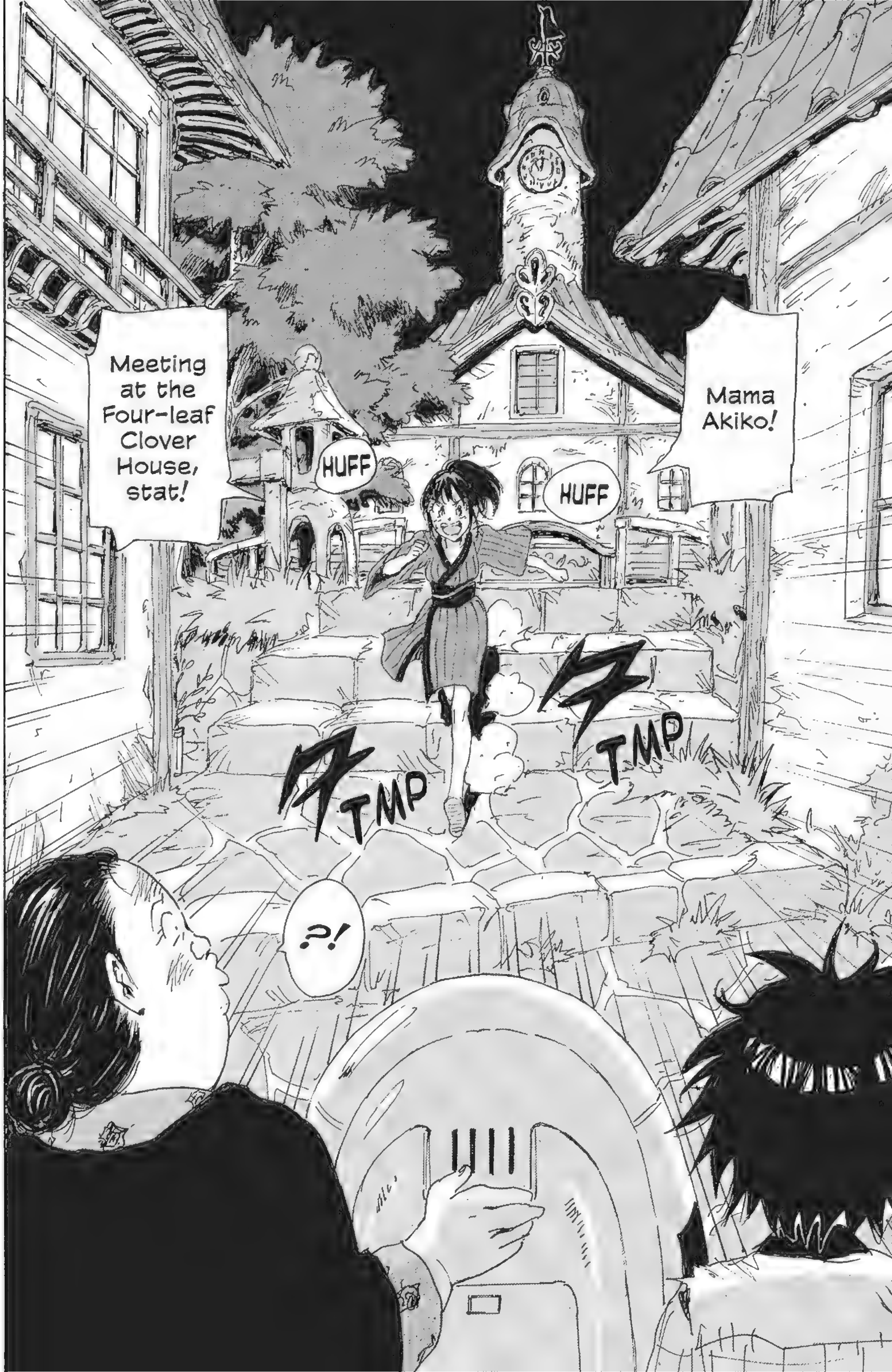

HUFF
Th-The earthquake!
HUFF
Earthquake?!
Yesterday's earthquake!
I-It must've... the shelter...
One of the shelter's shielded walls...
...was damaged!
WAHAHAHA

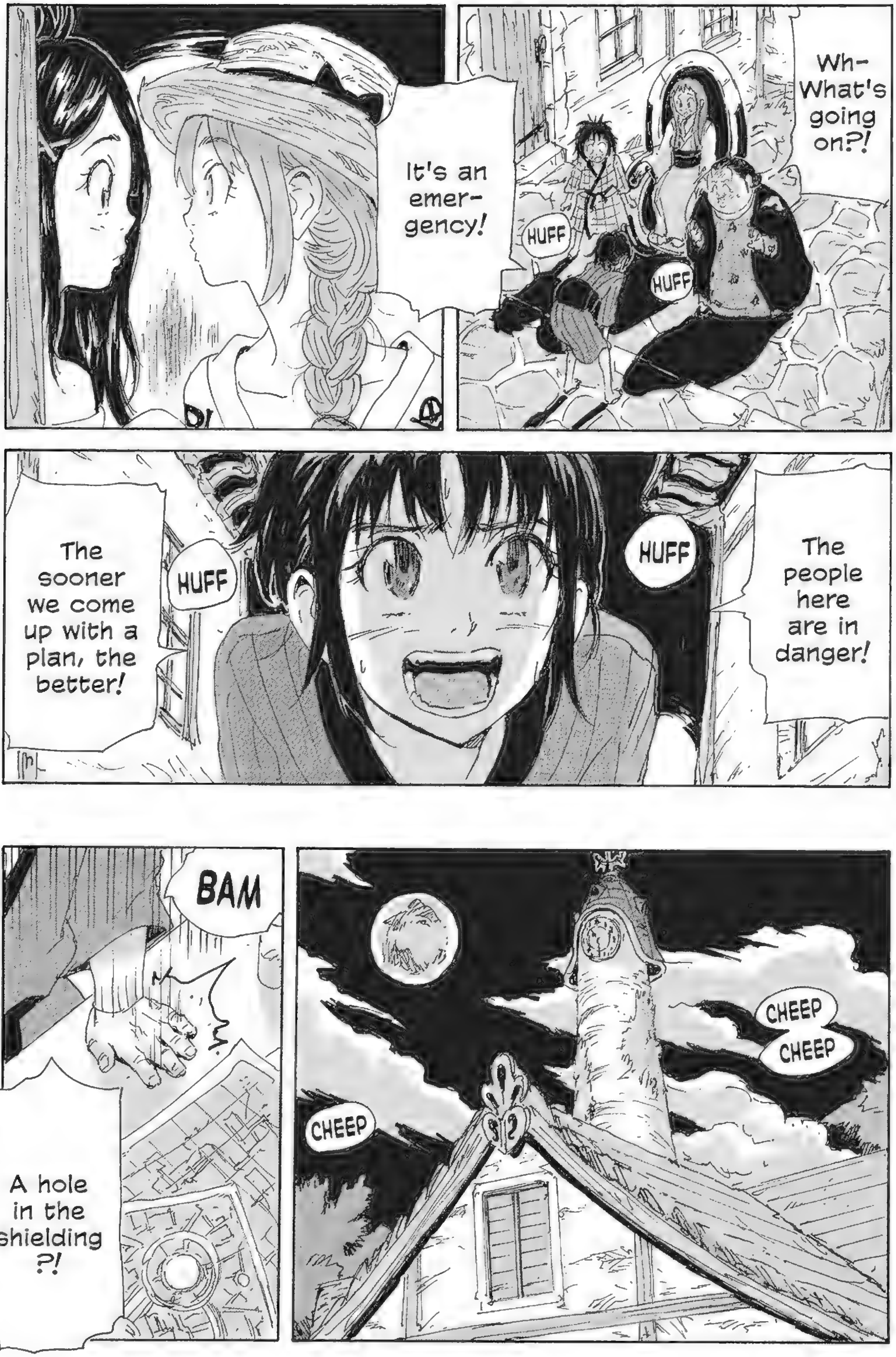

W-We gotta do something quick!
FSST
PLOP
FWOOOO
Otherwise, the radiation...
BAM
...will seep into Shelter 109!
P-70 END

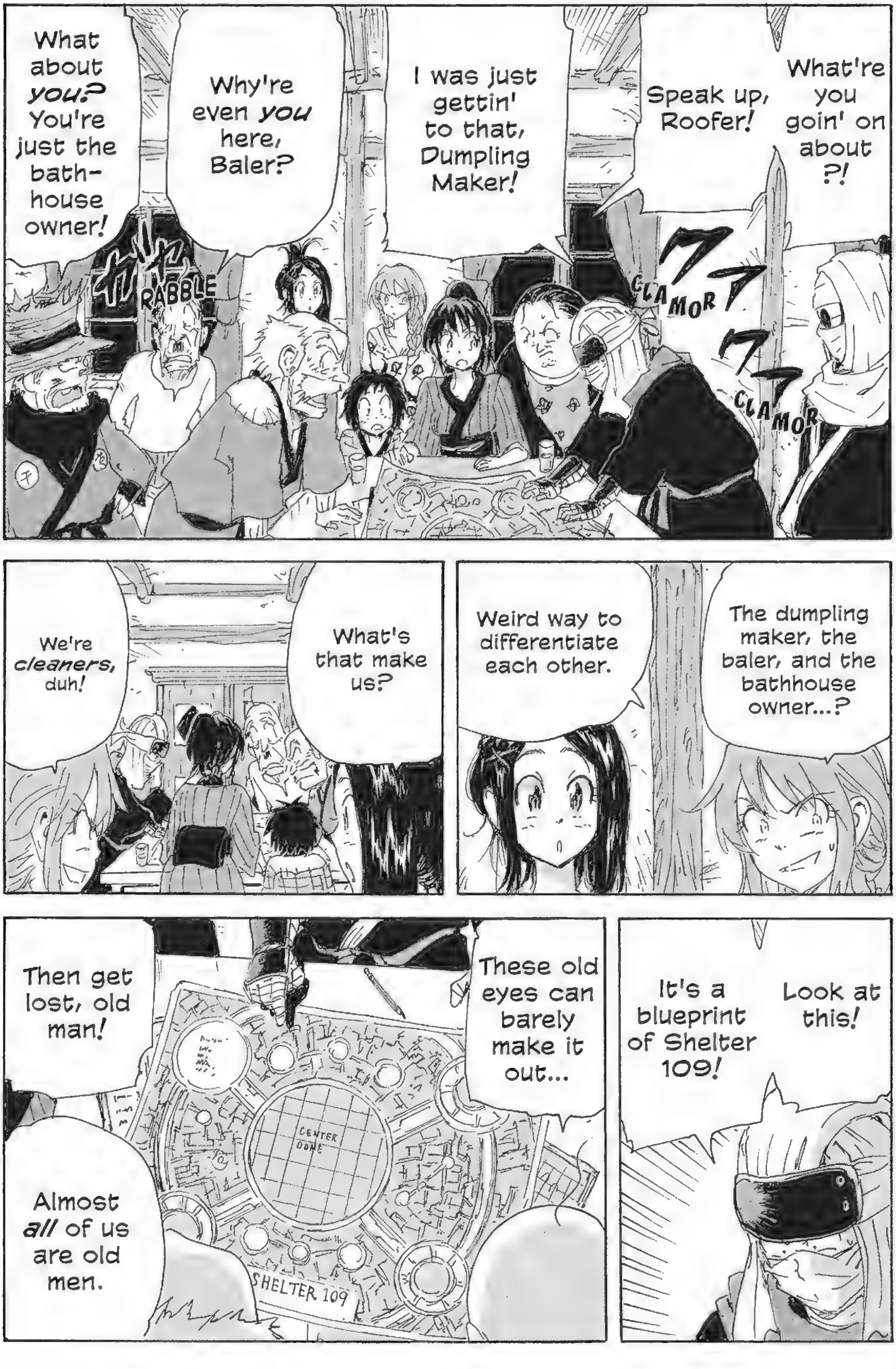
Phase.71 【The Underwater Maze】

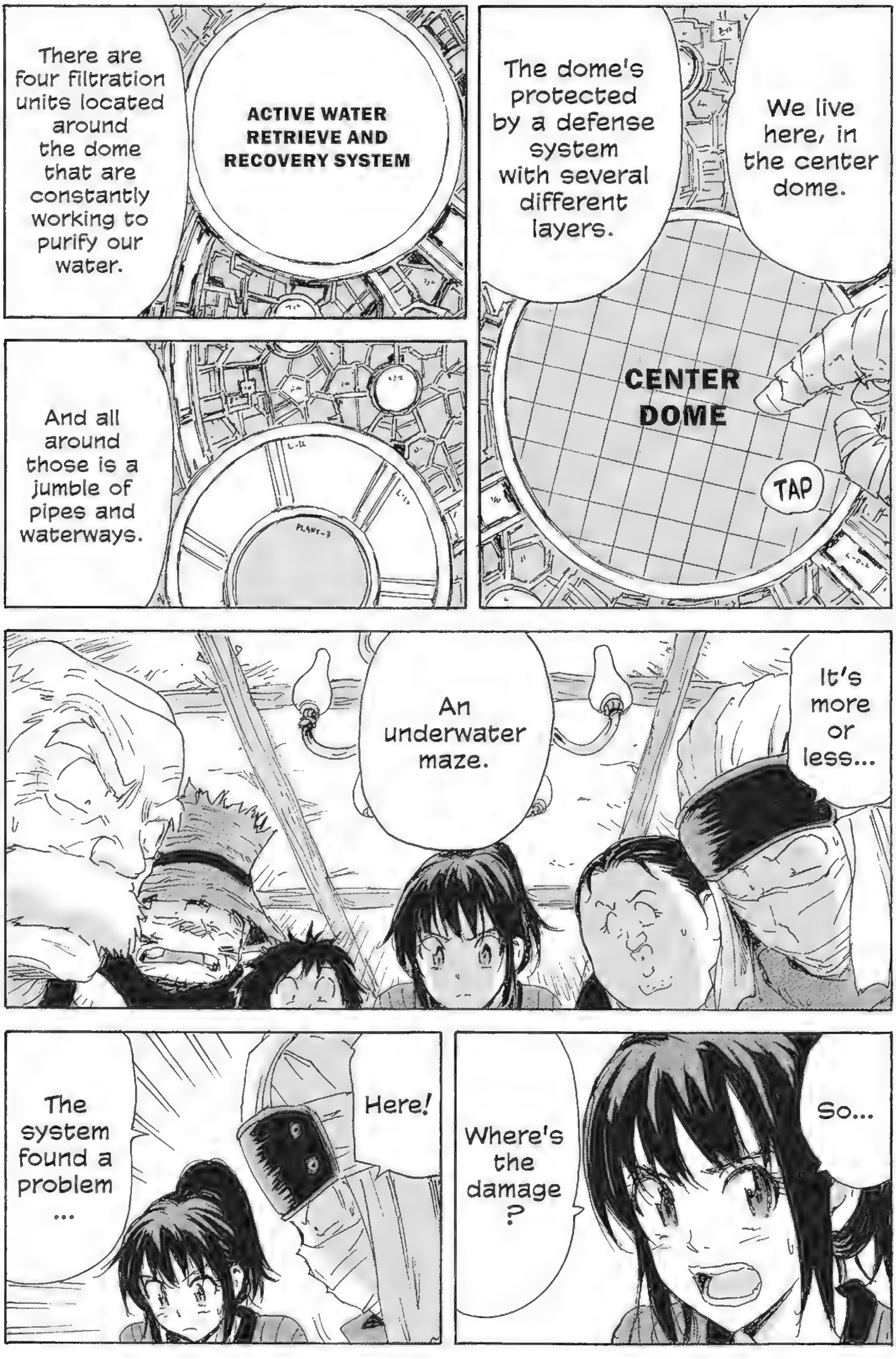

Oh, that was so much fun!
It's been so long since I've seen fireworks!
VMM

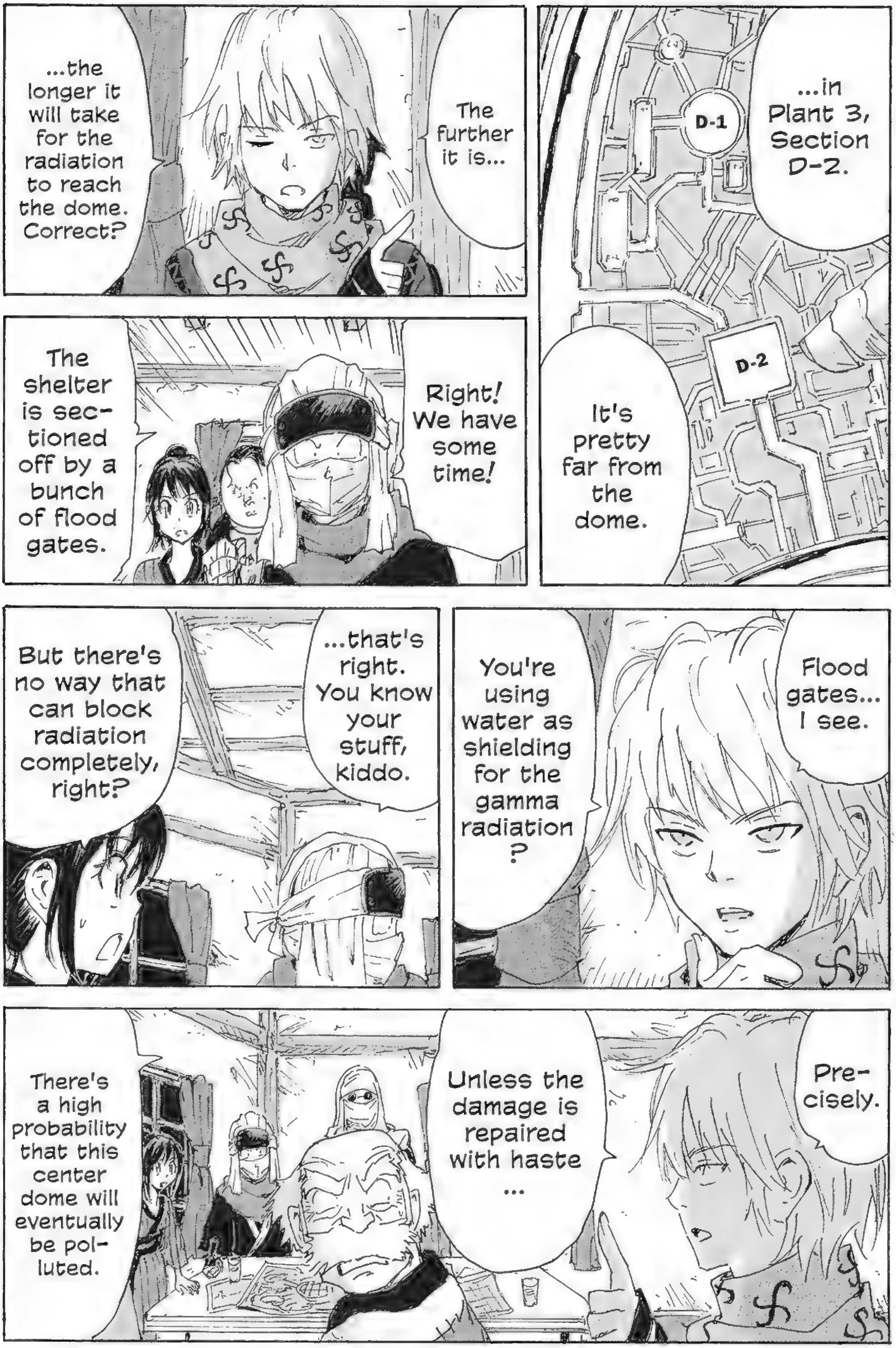

It's bad to shoot fireworks indoors!
Or to aim them at *people*!
Th-They're still following us!
CACKLE CACKLE
Somebody, kick those monsters out of here!

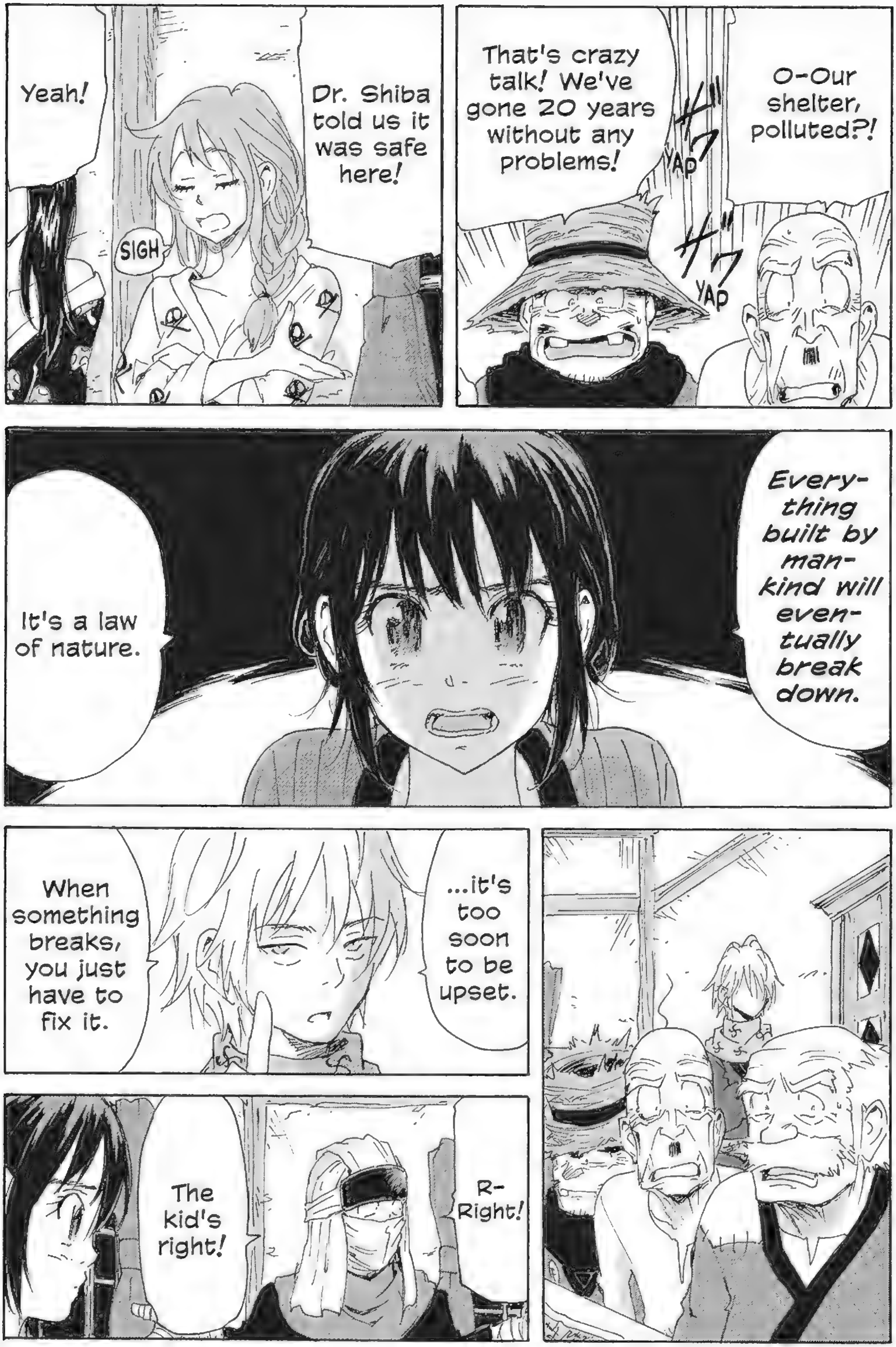

Mama Akiko!
Meeting at the Four-leaf Clover House, stat!
HUFF
HUFF
TMP
TMP
?!

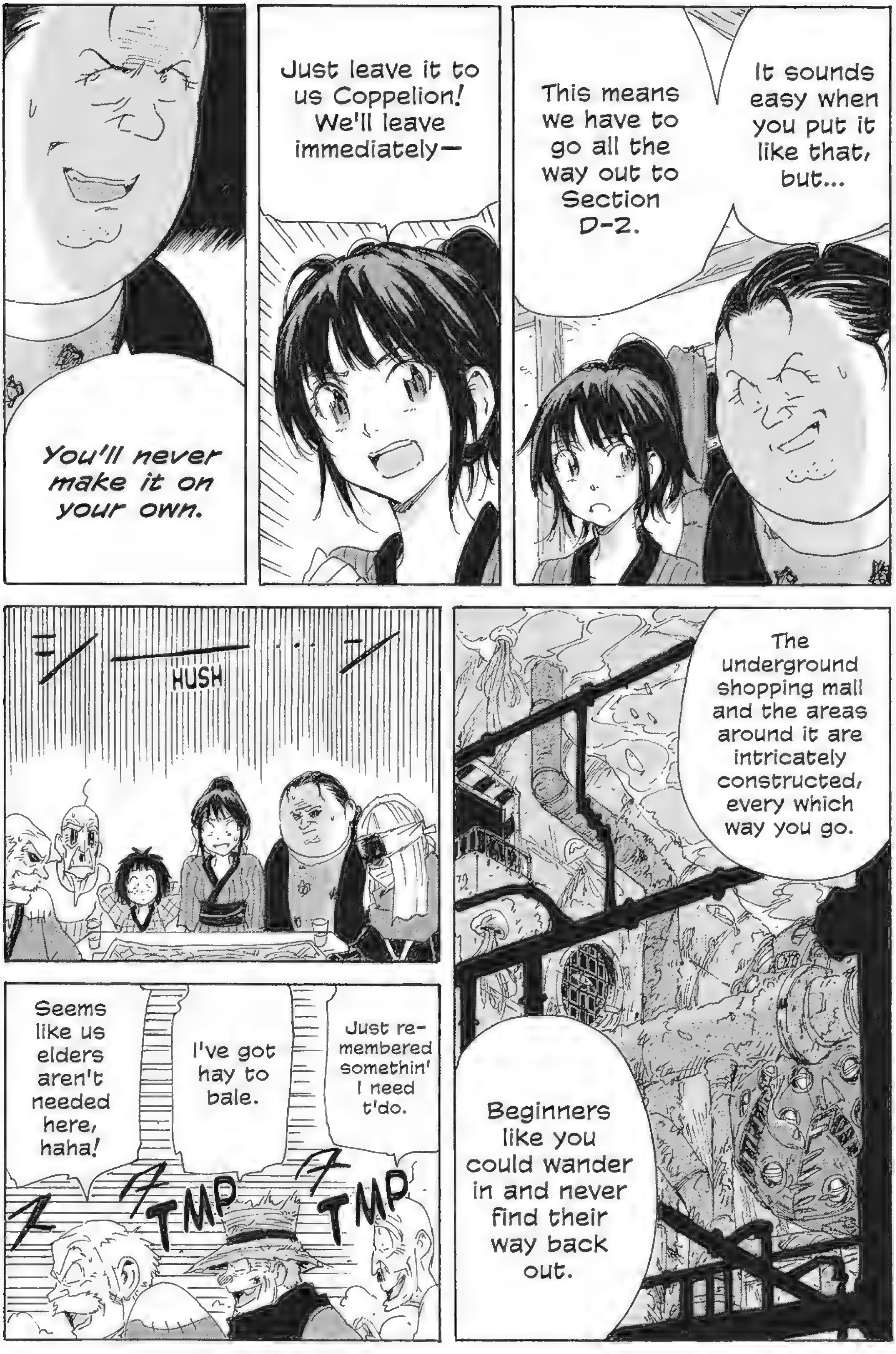

Wh- What's going on?!
HUFF
HUFF
It's an emergency!
HUFF
The people here are in danger!
HUFF
The sooner we come up with a plan, the better!
CHEEP
CHEEP
CHEEP
BAM
A hole in the shielding?!

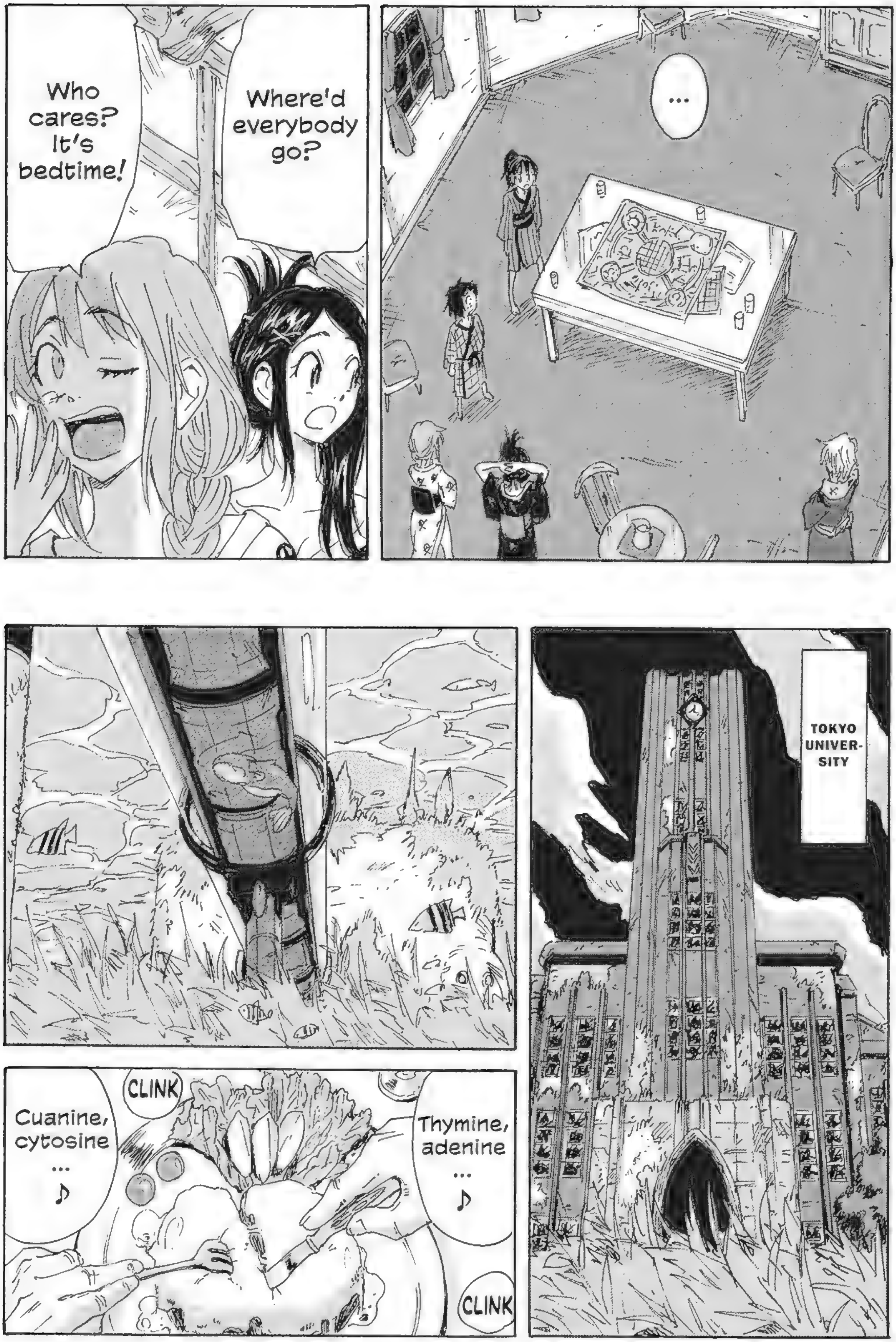

What're you goin' on about?!
Speak up, Roofer!
CLAMOR
CLAMOR
I was just gettin' to that, Dumpling Maker!
Why're even *you* here, Baler?
What about *you?* You're just the bathhouse owner!
RABBLE
The dumpling maker, the baler, and the bathhouse owner...?
Weird way to differentiate each other.
What's that make us?
We're *cleaners*, duh!
Look at this!
It's a blueprint of Shelter 109!
These old eyes can barely make it out...
Then get lost, old man!
Almost *all* of us are old men.
CENTER DOME
SHELTER 109

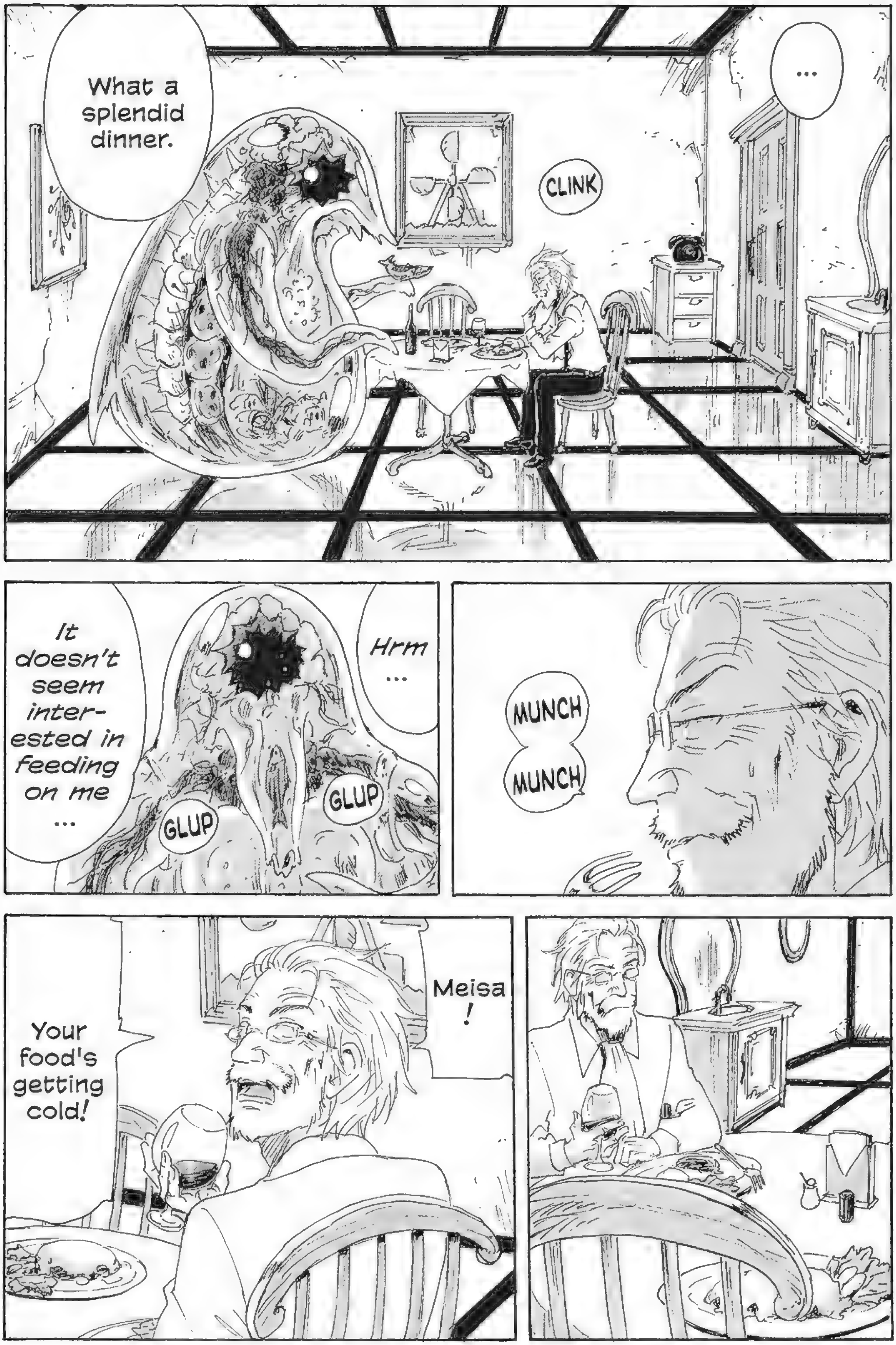

We live here, in the center dome.
The dome's protected by a defense system with several different layers.
CENTER DOME
TAP
There are four filtration units located around the dome that are constantly working to purify our water.
ACTIVE WATER RETRIEVE AND RECOVERY SYSTEM
And all around those is a jumble of pipes and waterways.
It's more or less...
An underwater maze.
So...
Where's the damage?
Here!
The system found a problem ...

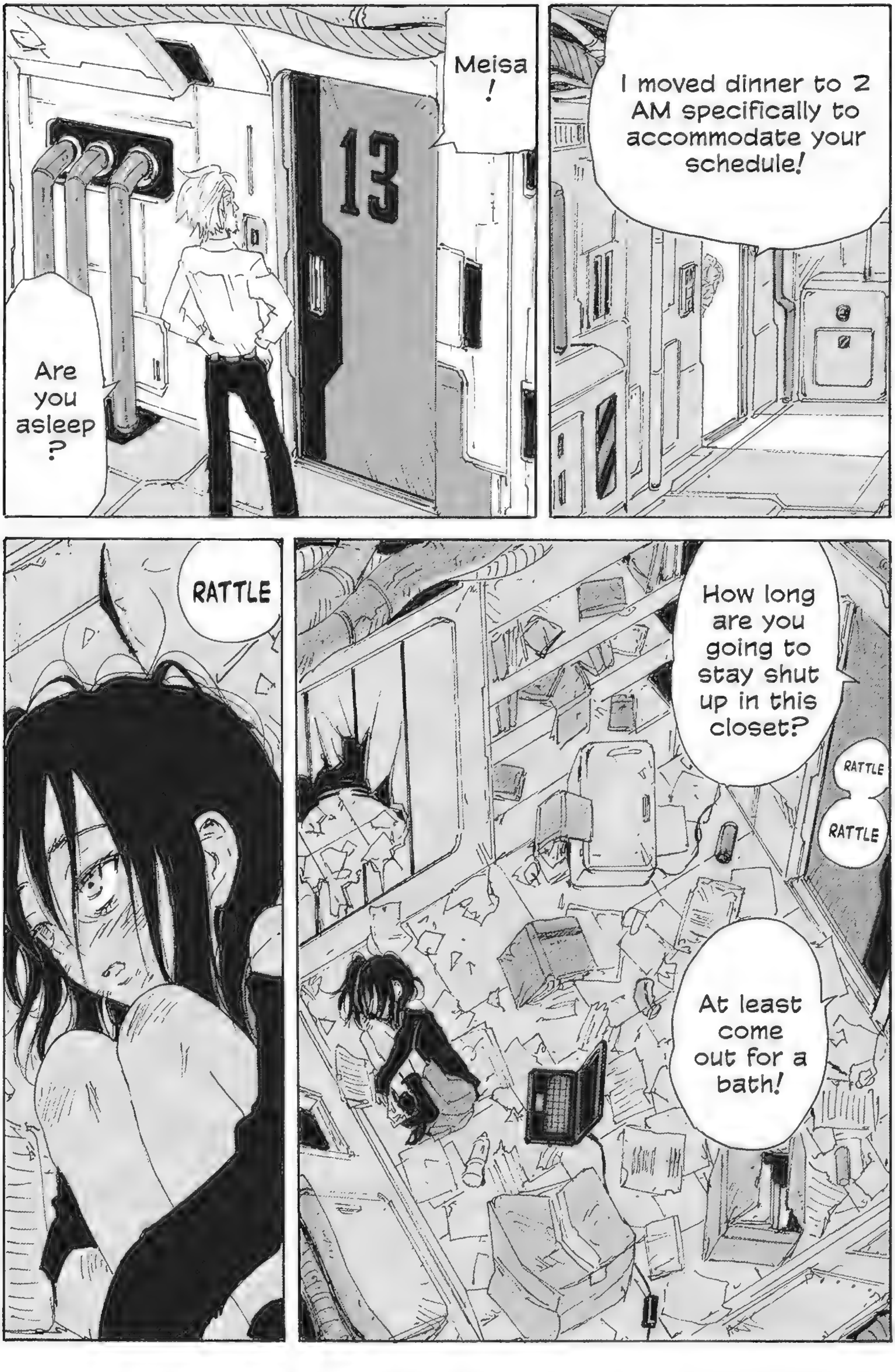

...in Plant 3, Section D-2.
D-1
D-2
It's pretty far from the dome.
The further it is...
...the longer it will take for the radiation to reach the dome. Correct?
Right! We have some time!
The shelter is sectioned off by a bunch of flood gates.
Flood gates... I see.
You're using water as shielding for the gamma radiation?
...that's right. You know your stuff, kiddo.
But there's no way that can block radiation completely, right?
Precisely.
Unless the damage is repaired with haste...
There's a high probability that this center dome will eventually be polluted.

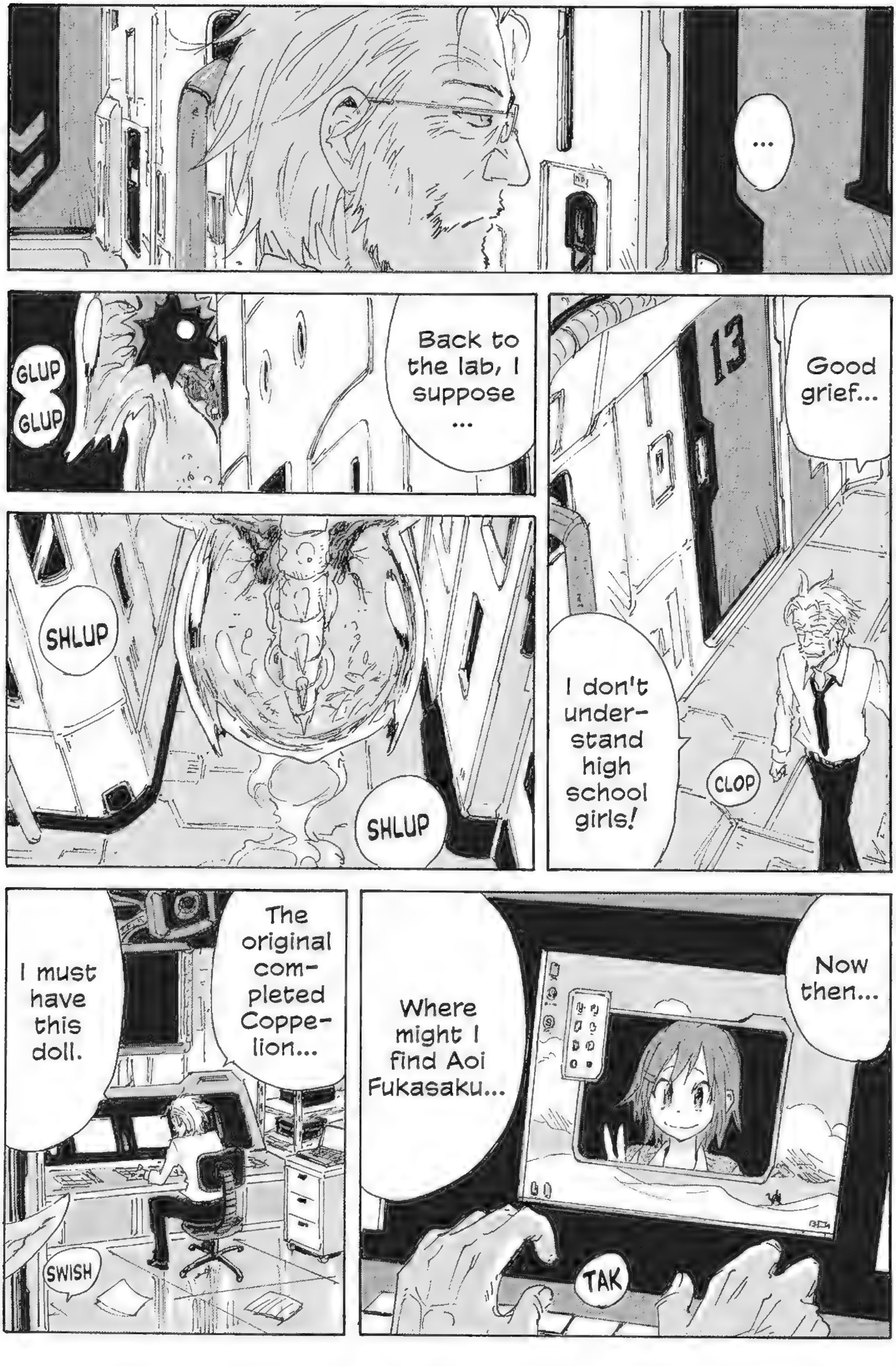

O-Our shelter, polluted?!
ザワ YAP
ザワ YAP
That's crazy talk! We've gone 20 years without any problems!
Dr. Shiba told us it was safe here!
SIGH
Yeah!
Everything built by mankind will eventually break down.
It's a law of nature.
When something breaks, you just have to fix it.
...it's too soon to be upset.
R-Right!
The kid's right!

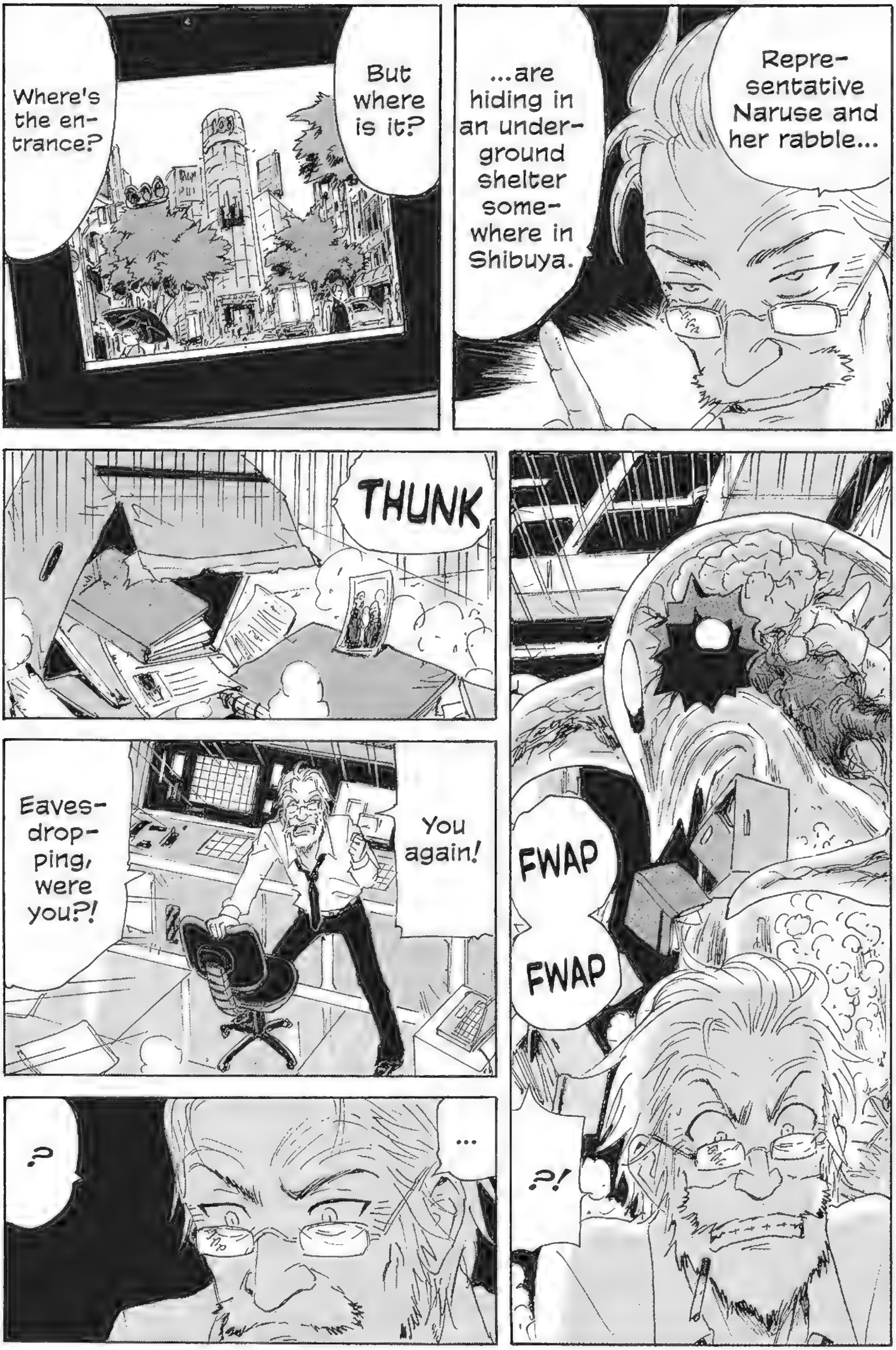

This means we have to go all the way out to Section D-2.
It sounds easy when you put it like that, but...
Just leave it to us Coppelion! We'll leave immediately—
You'll never make it on your own.
The underground shopping mall and the areas around it are intricately constructed, every which way you go.
Beginners like you could wander in and never find their way back out.
HUSH
Just re-membered somethin' I need t'do.
I've got hay to bale.
Seems like us elders aren't needed here, haha!
TMP
TMP

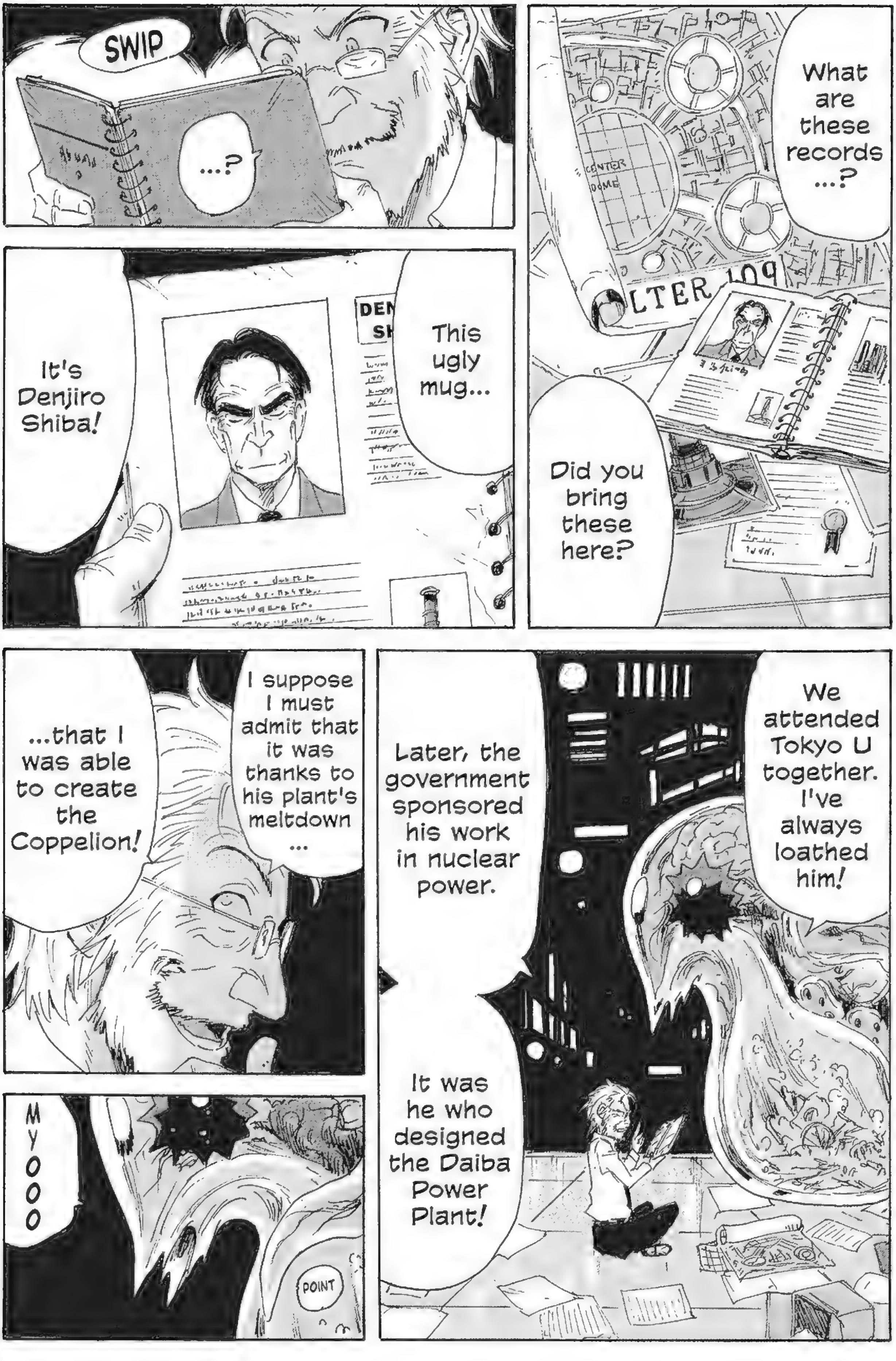

…
Where'd everybody go?
Who cares? It's bedtime!
TOKYO UNIVERSITY
Thymine, adenine … ♪
CLINK
Cuanine, cytosine … ♪
CLINK

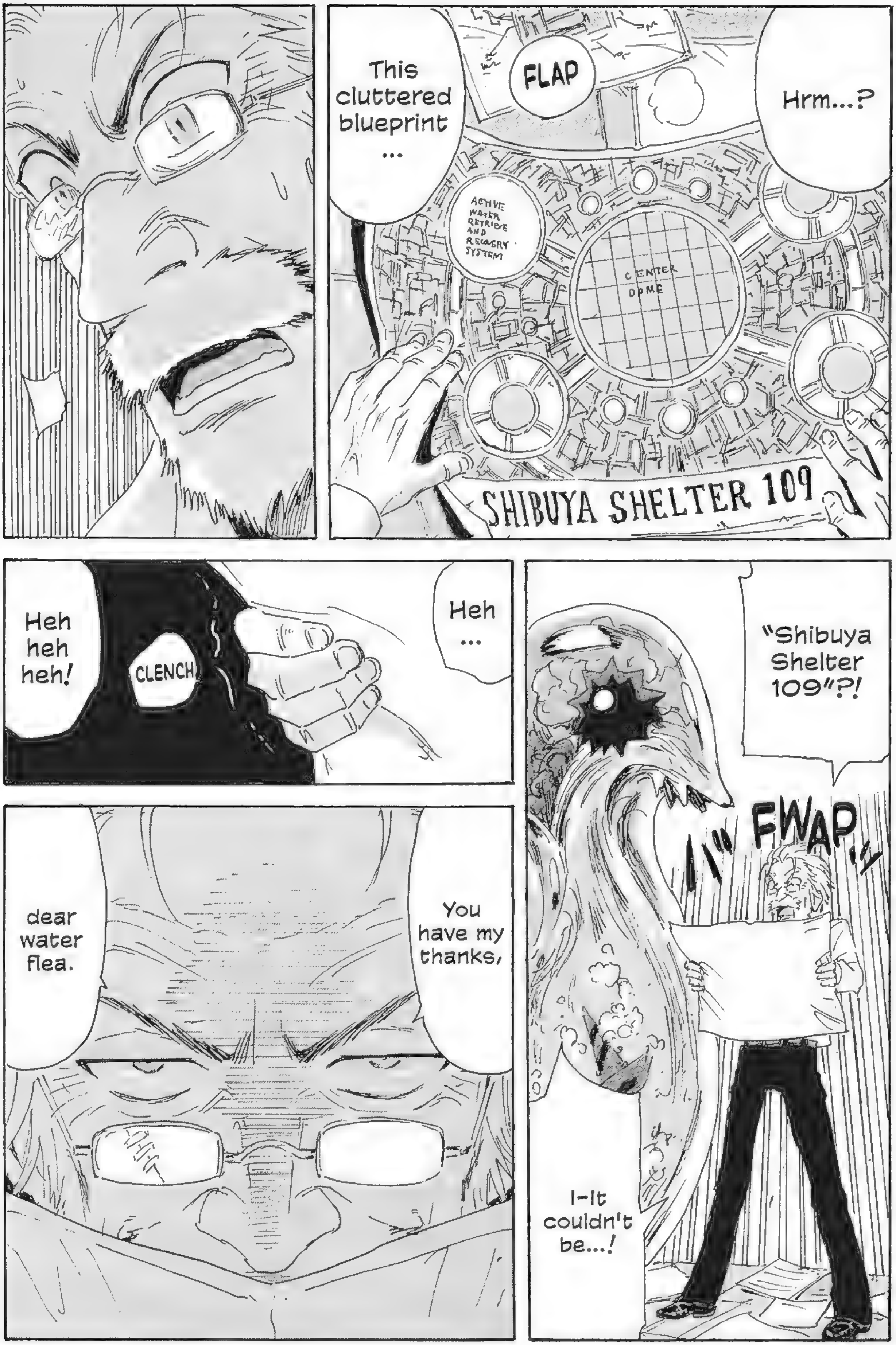

...
CLINK
What a splendid dinner.
MUNCH
MUNCH
Hrm ...
It doesn't seem interested in feeding on me ...
GLUP
GLUP
Meisa!
Your food's getting cold!

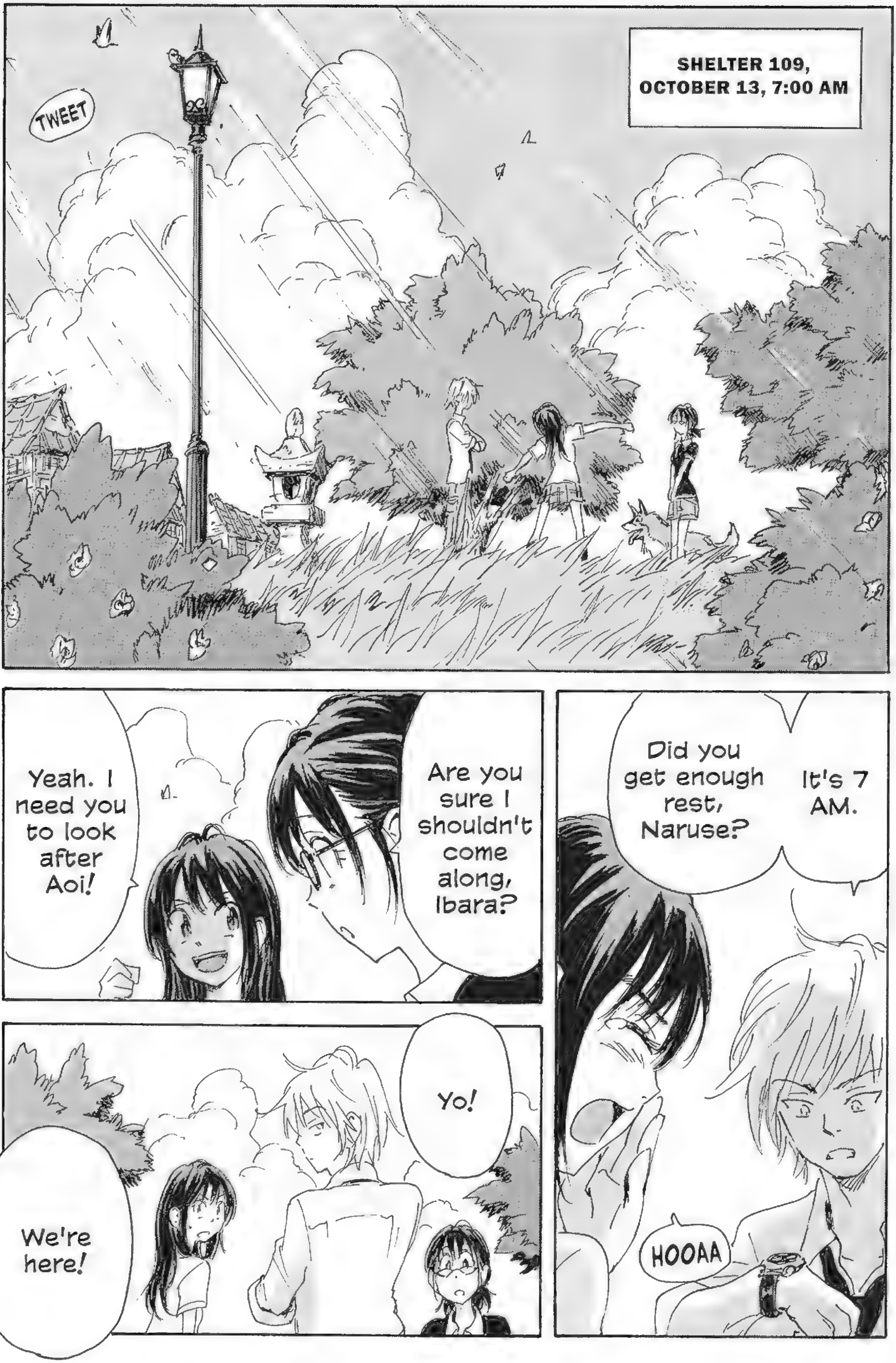

Meisa!
Are you asleep?
I moved dinner to 2 AM specifically to accommodate your schedule!
RATTLE
How long are you going to stay shut up in this closet?
RATTLE
RATTLE
At least come out for a bath!

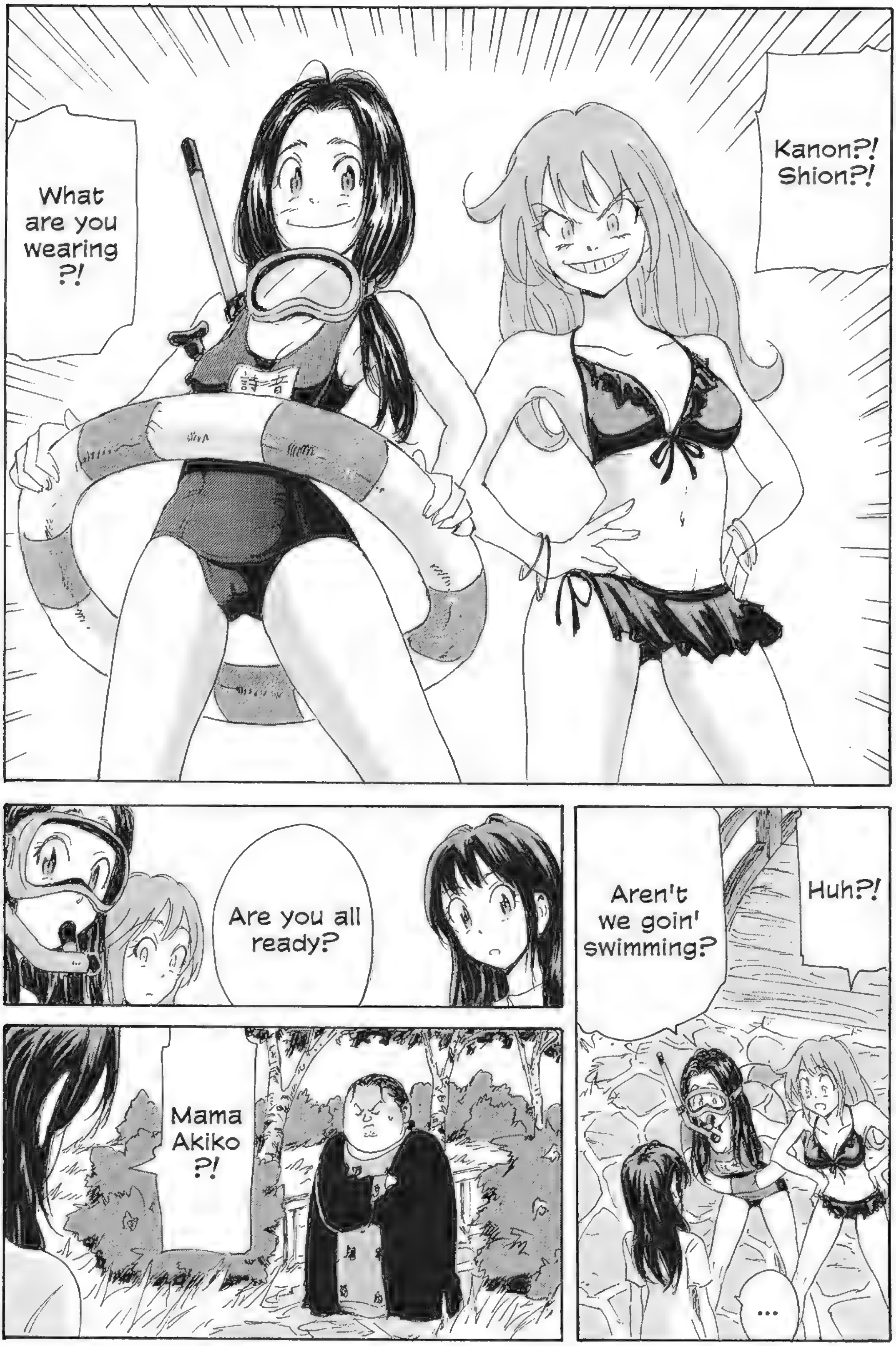

...
Good grief...
I don't understand high school girls!
CLOP
Back to the lab, I suppose ...
GLUP
GLUP
SHLUP
SHLUP
Now then...
Where might I find Aoi Fukasaku...
TAK
The original completed Coppelion...
I must have this doll.
SWISH

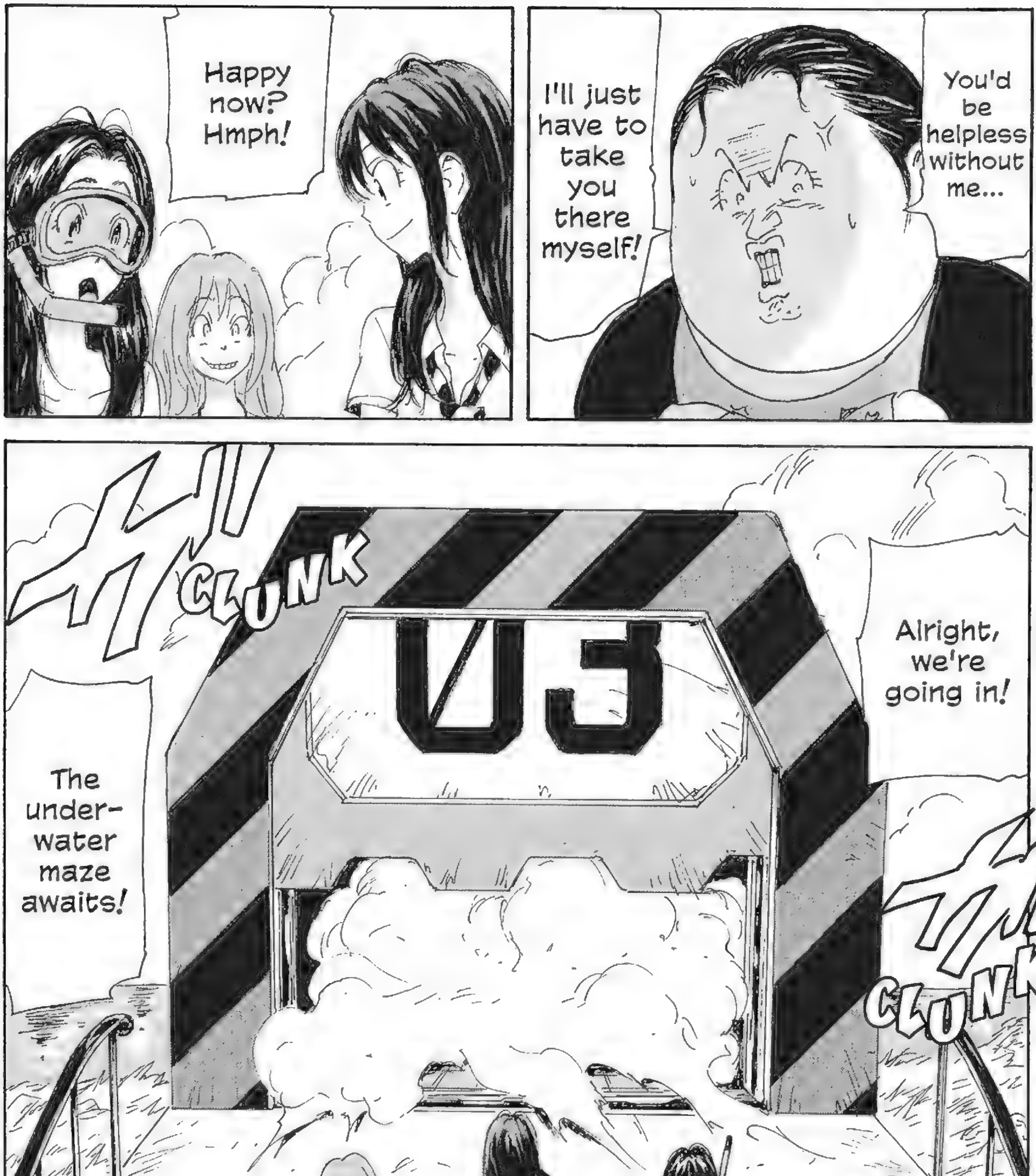

Representative Naruse and her rabble...
...are hiding in an underground shelter somewhere in Shibuya.
But where is it?
Where's the entrance?
FWAP
FWAP
?!
THUNK
You again!
Eavesdropping, were you?!
...
?

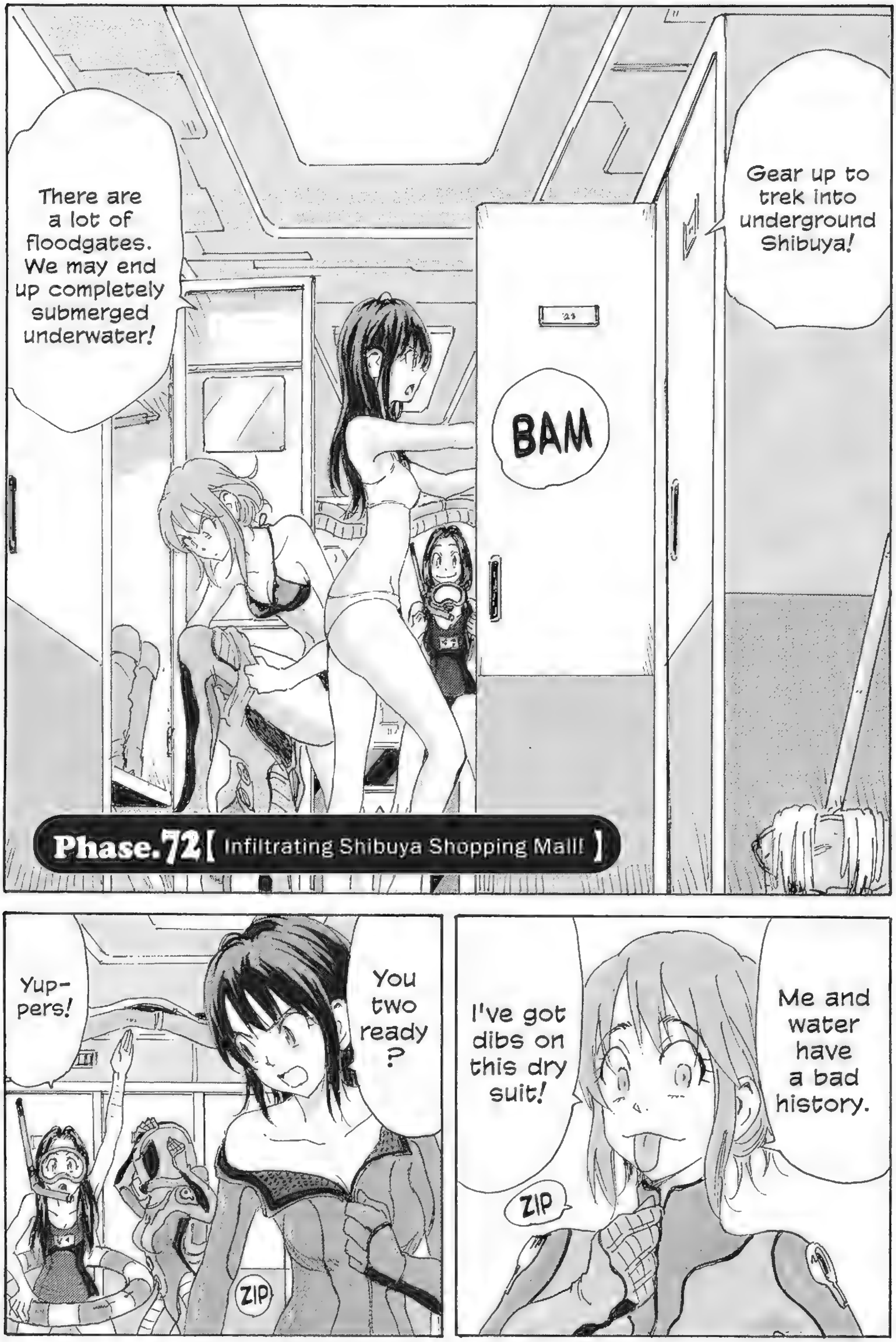

What are these records ...?
Did you bring these here?
CENTER DOME
LTER 109
SWIP
...?
This ugly mug...
DEN SH
It's Denjiro Shiba!
We attended Tokyo U together. I've always loathed him!
Later, the government sponsored his work in nuclear power.
It was he who designed the Daiba Power Plant!
I suppose I must admit that it was thanks to his plant's meltdown ...
...that I was able to create the Coppelion!
MYOOO
POINT


Hrm...?
FLAP
This cluttered blueprint...
ACTIVE WATER RETRIEVE AND RECOVERY SYSTEM
CENTER DOME
SHIBUYA SHELTER 109
"Shibuya Shelter 109"?!
FWAP
I-It couldn't be...!
Heh...
CLENCH
Heh heh heh!
You have my thanks,
dear water flea.


SHELTER 109, OCTOBER 13, 7:00 AM
TWEET
Did you get enough rest, Naruse?
It's 7 AM.
HOOAA
Are you sure I shouldn't come along, Ibara?
Yeah. I need you to look after Aoi!
Yo!
We're here!

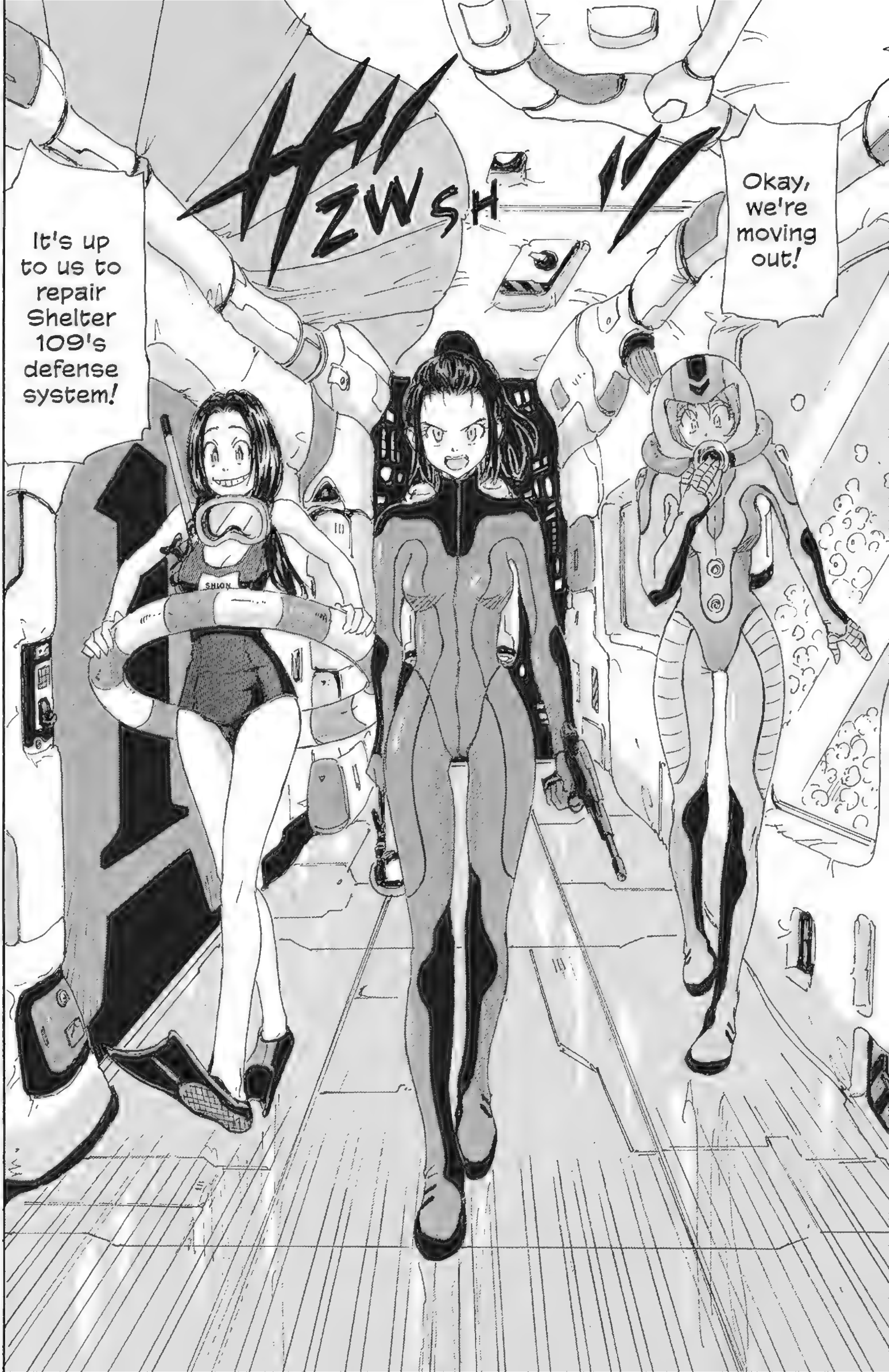

Kanon?! Shion?!
What are you wearing?!
詩音
Huh?!
Aren't we goin' swimming?
...
Are you all ready?
Mama Akiko?!

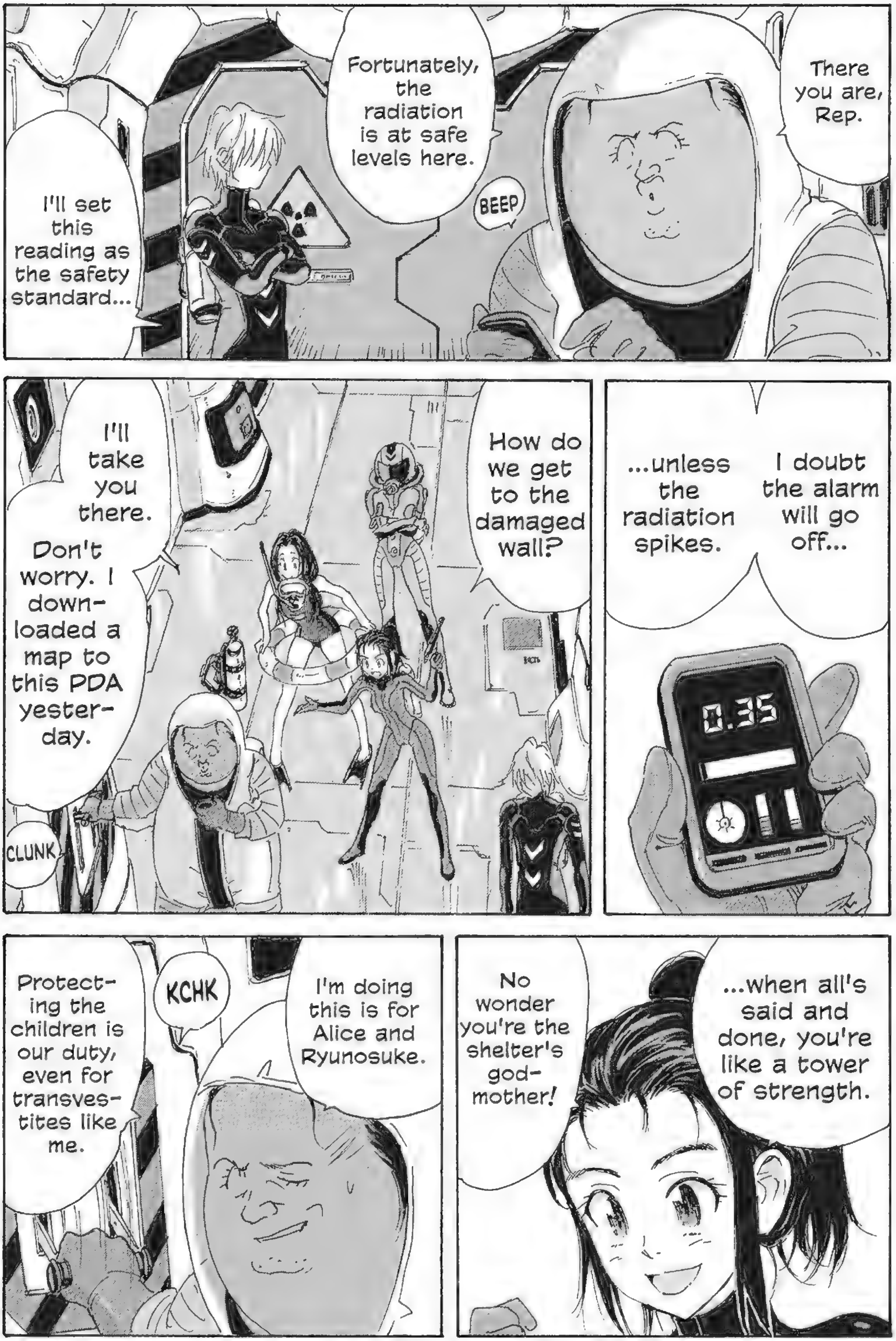

You'd be helpless without me...
I'll just have to take you there myself!
Happy now? Hmph!
CLUNK
Alright, we're going in!
03
CLUNK
The under-water maze awaits!
P-71 END

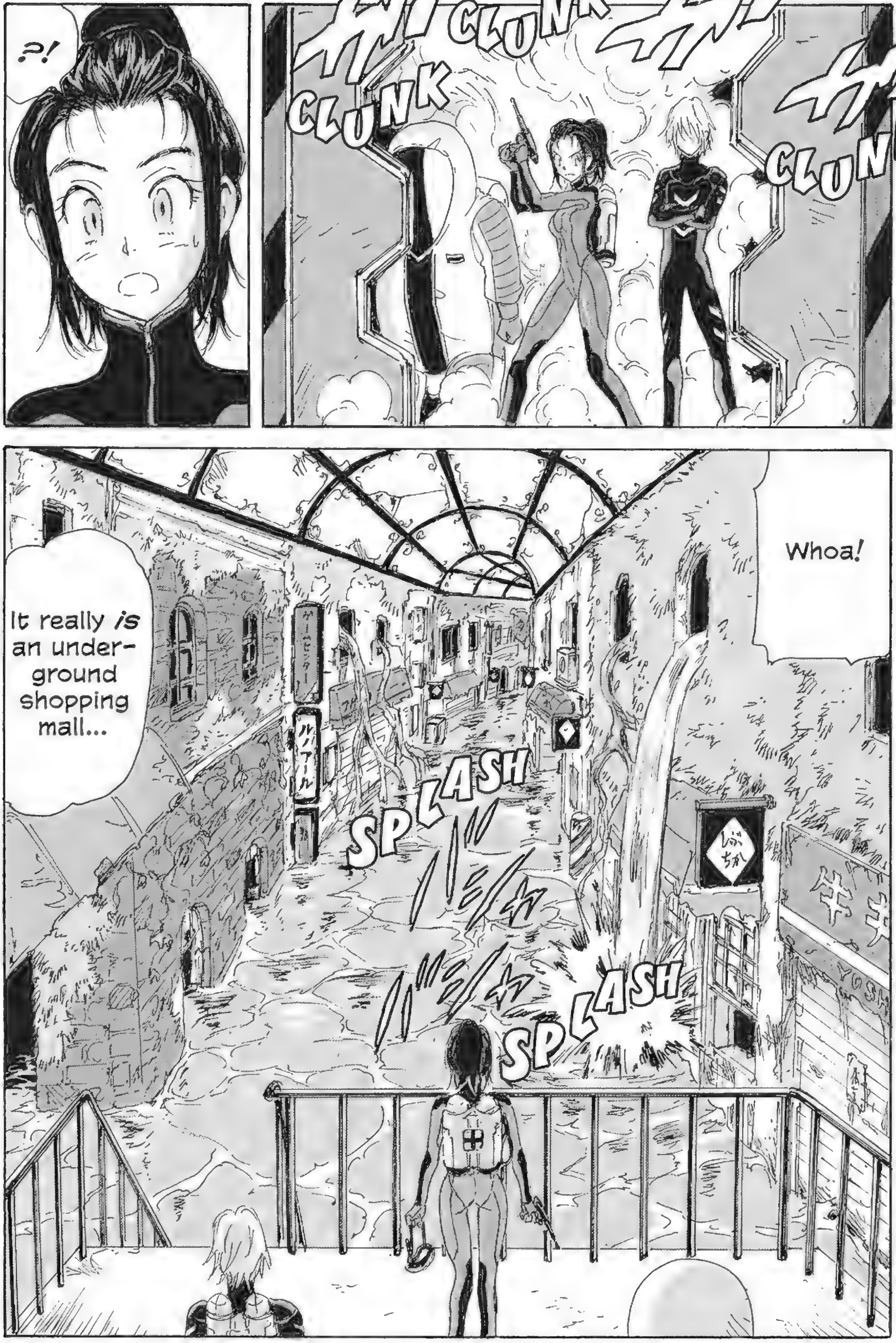


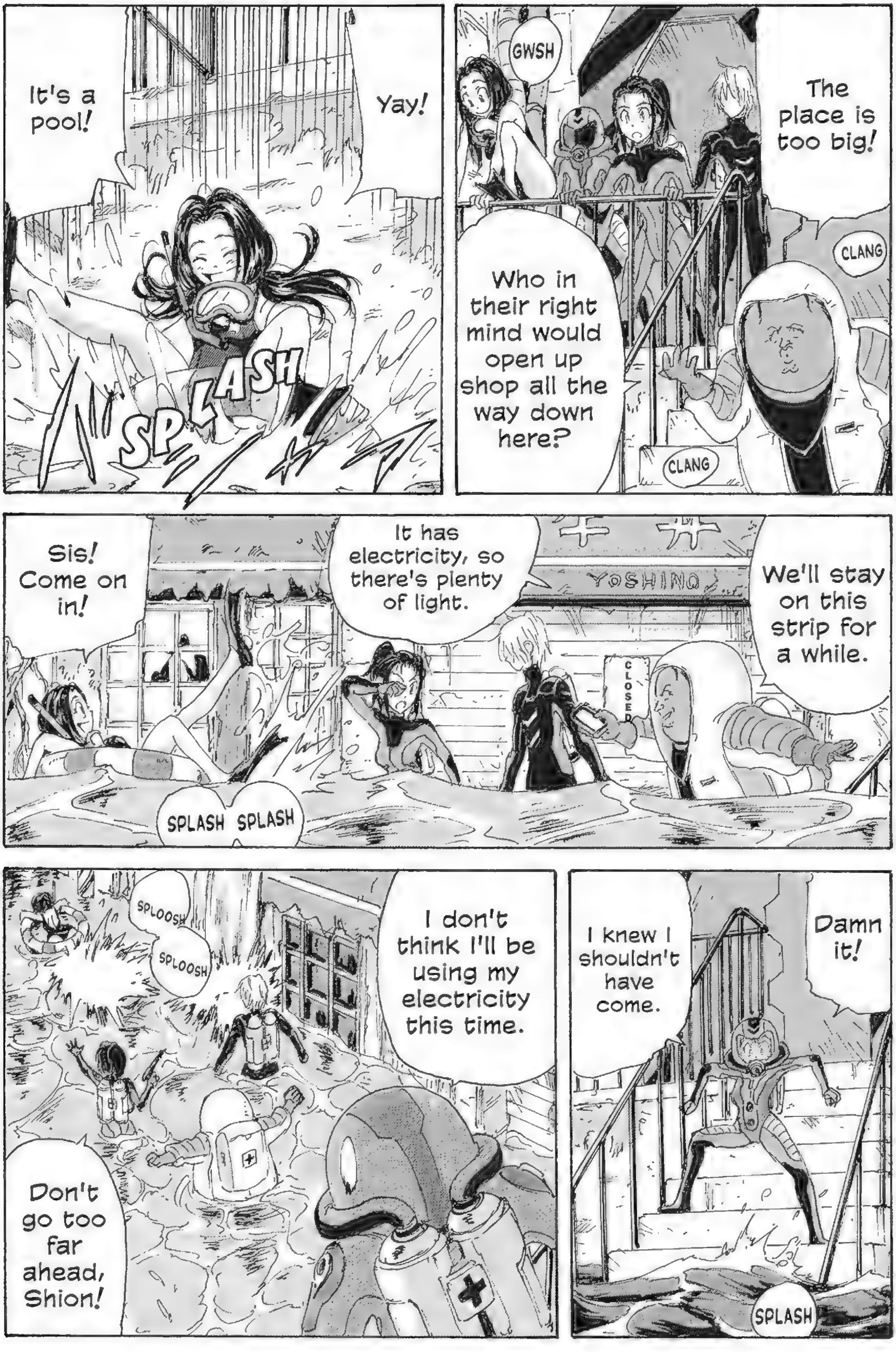
Phase.72 [Infiltrating Shibuya Shopping Mall!]

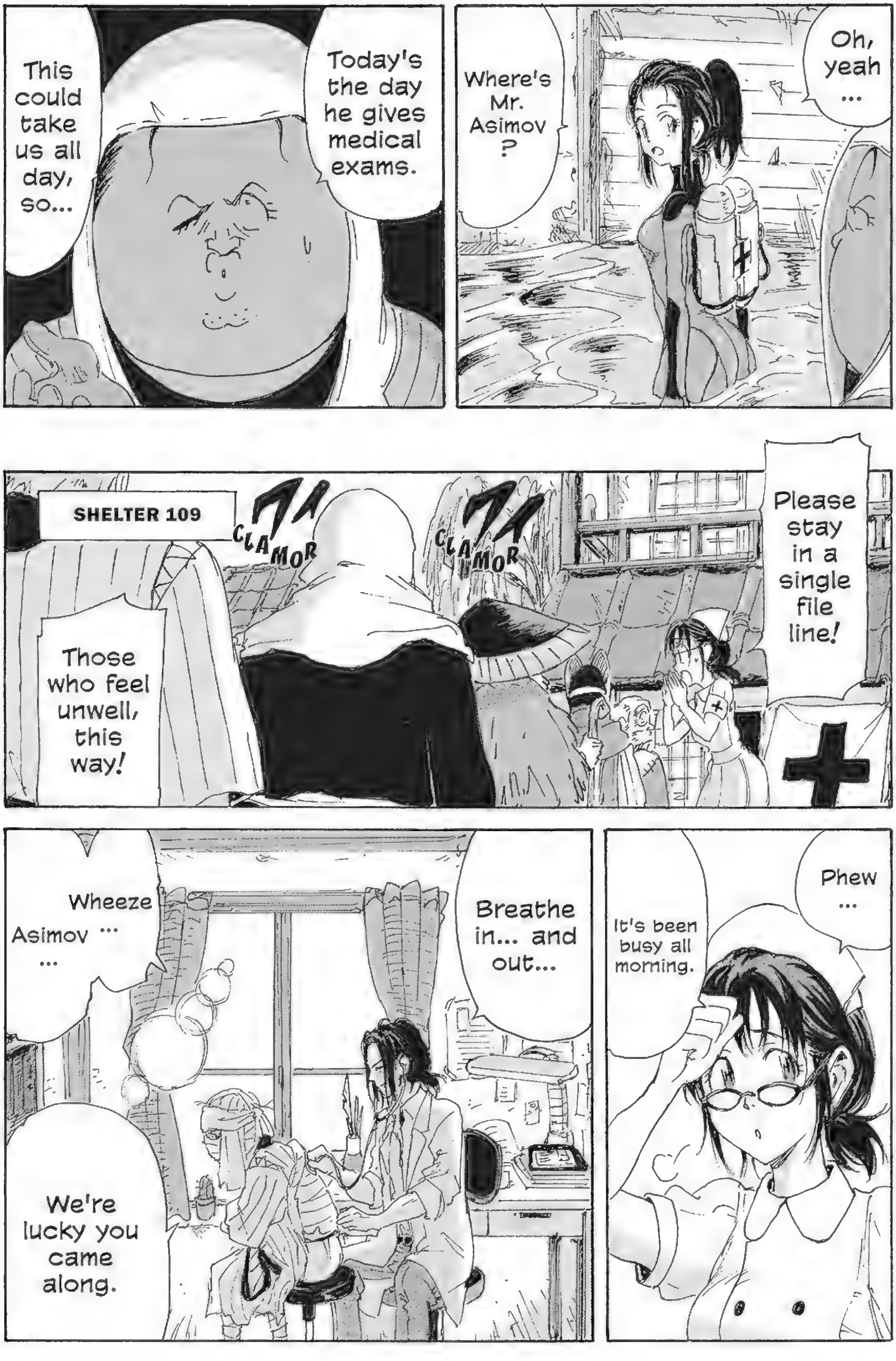
Gear up to trek into underground Shibuya!
There are a lot of floodgates. We may end up completely submerged underwater!
BAM
Me and water have a bad history.
I've got dibs on this dry suit!
ZIP
You two ready?
Yup-pers!
ZIP

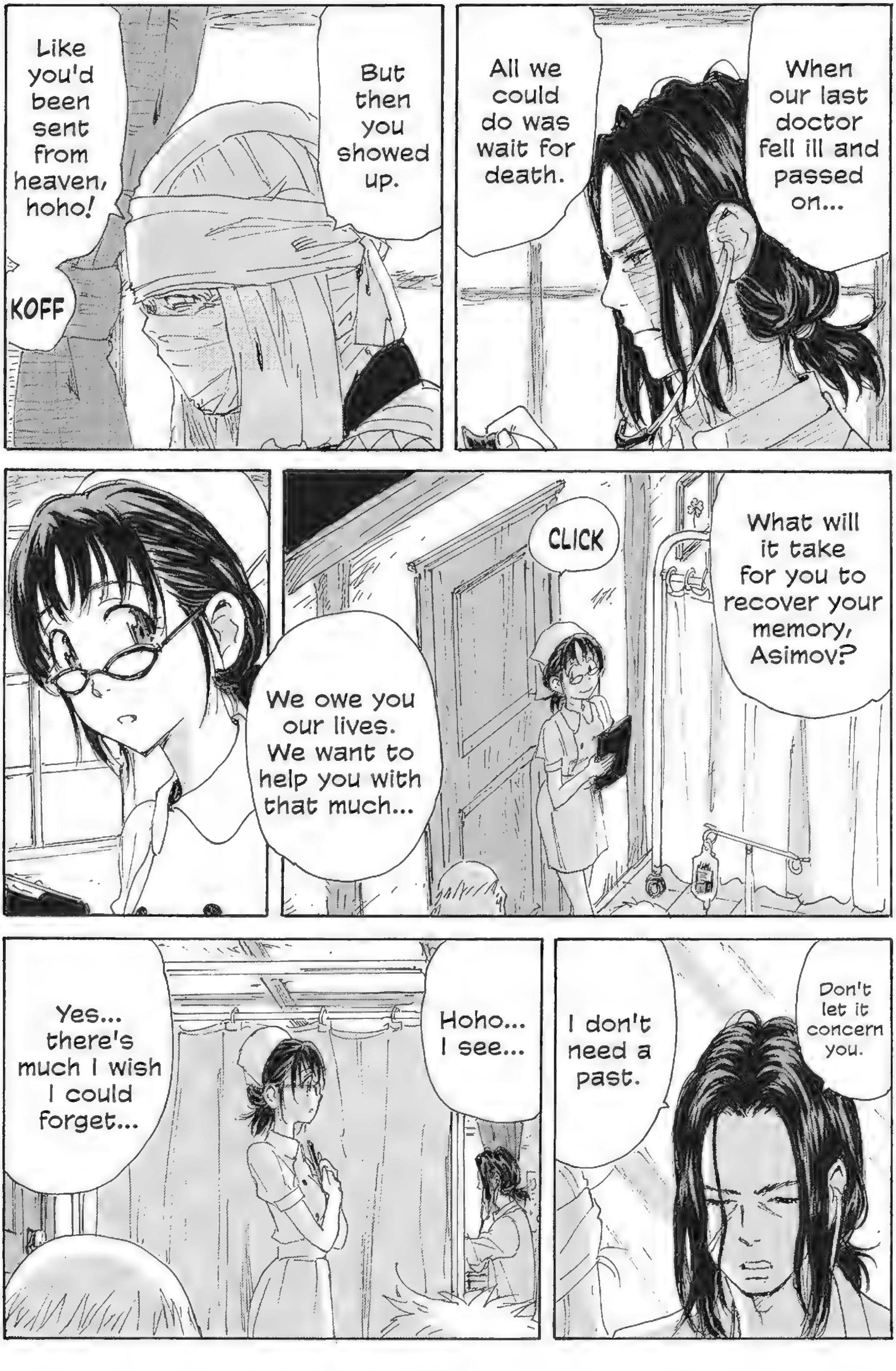

Okay, we're moving out!
ZWSH
It's up to us to repair Shelter 109's defense system!
SHION

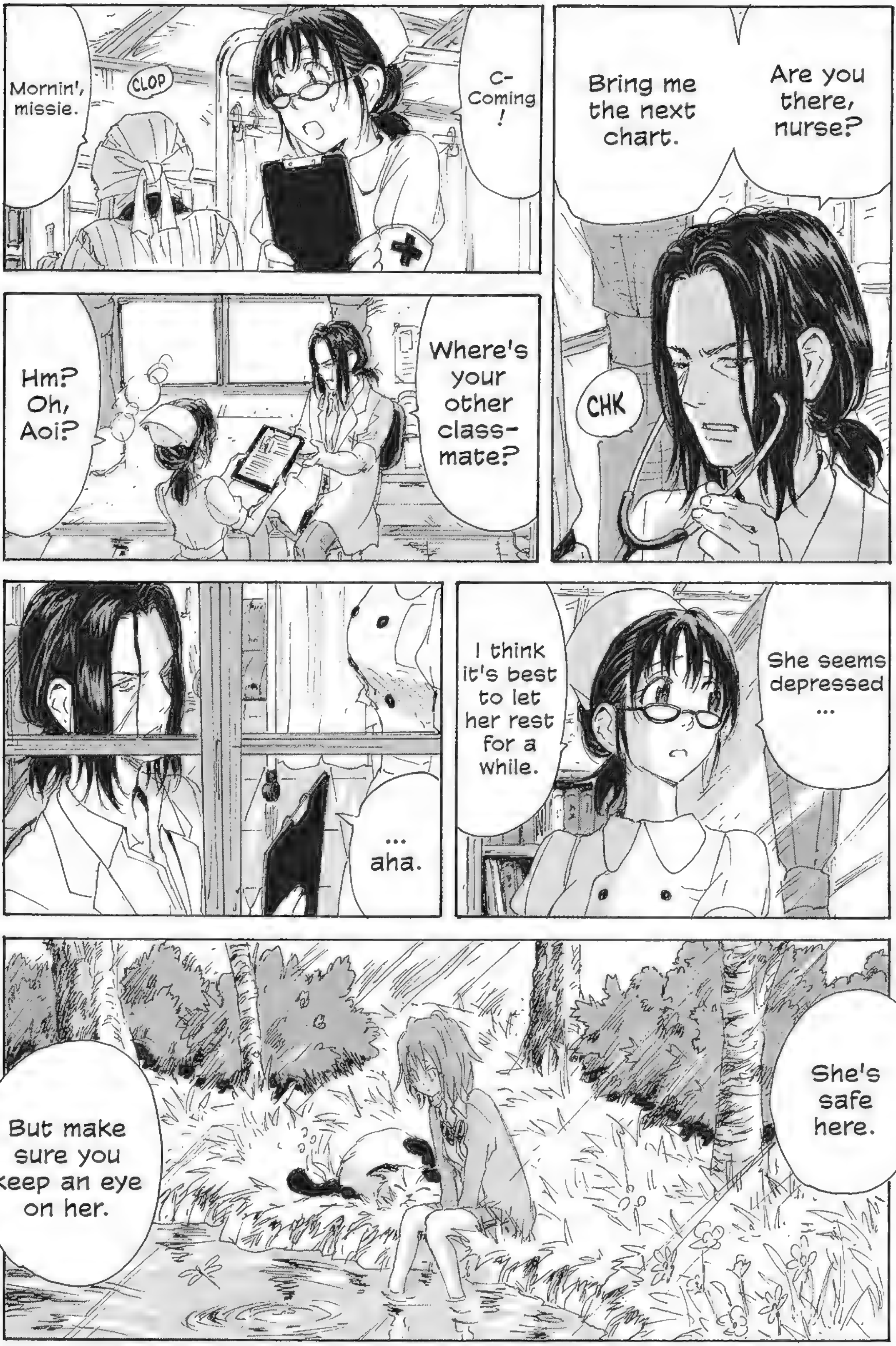

There you are, Rep.
BEEP
Fortunately, the radiation is at safe levels here.
I'll set this reading as the safety standard...
I doubt the alarm will go off...
...unless the radiation spikes.
0.35
How do we get to the damaged wall?
I'll take you there.
Don't worry. I downloaded a map to this PDA yesterday.
CLUNK
...when all's said and done, you're like a tower of strength.
No wonder you're the shelter's godmother!
I'm doing this is for Alice and Ryunosuke.
KCHK
Protecting the children is our duty, even for transvestites like me.

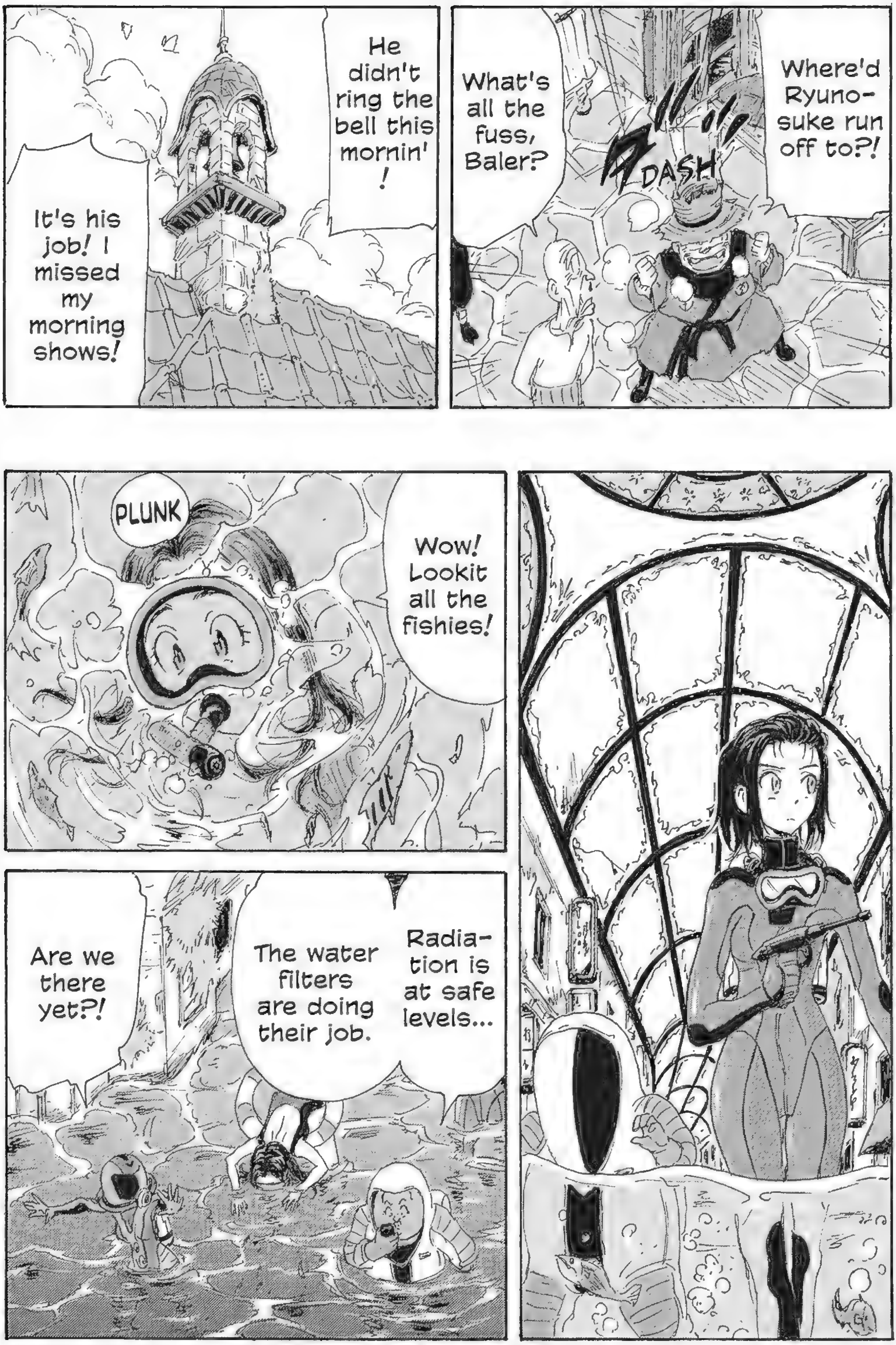

CLUNK
CLUNK
CLUNK
?!
Whoa!
It really *is* an underground shopping mall...
ゲームセンター
ルノアール
しぶちか
SPLASH
SPLASH

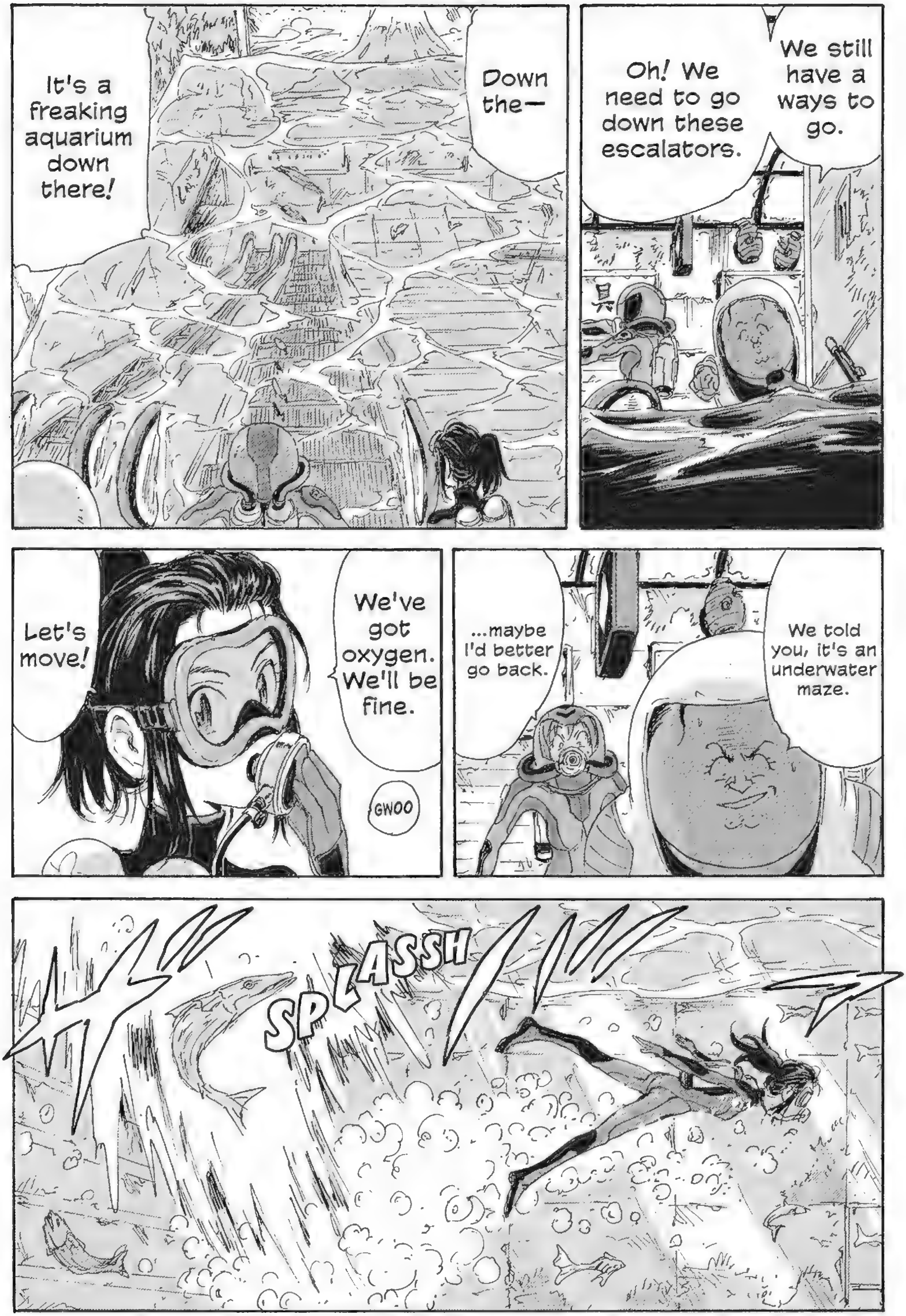

GWSH
The place is too big!
Who in their right mind would open up shop all the way down here?
CLANG
CLANG
Yay!
It's a pool!
SPLASH
We'll stay on this strip for a while.
YOSHINO
CLOSED
It has electricity, so there's plenty of light.
Sis! Come on in!
SPLASH SPLASH
Damn it!
I knew I shouldn't have come.
SPLASH
I don't think I'll be using my electricity this time.
SPLOOSH
SPLOOSH
Don't go too far ahead, Shion!

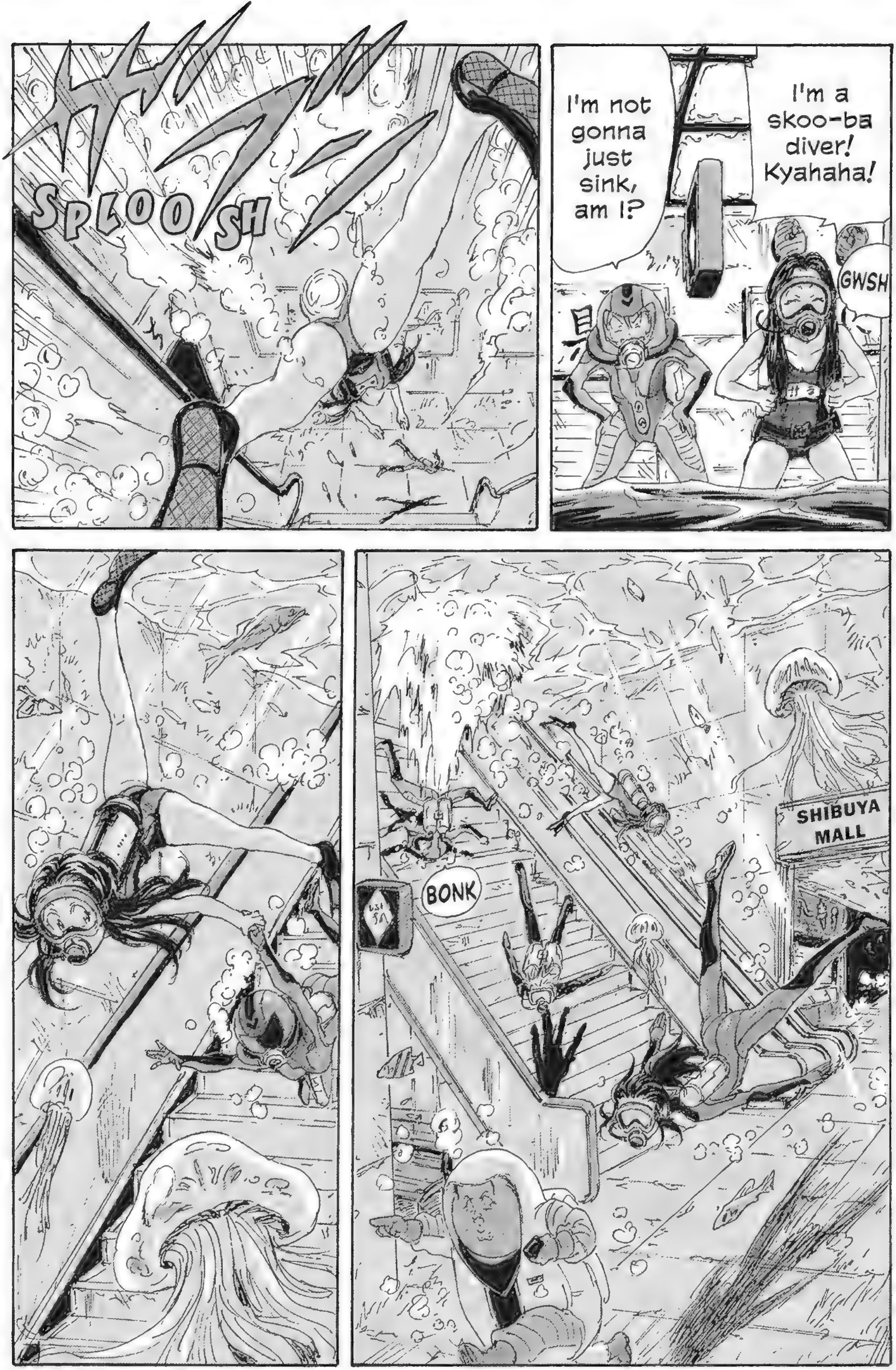

Where's Mr. Asimov?
Oh, yeah...
Today's the day he gives medical exams.
This could take us all day, so...
Please stay in a single file line!
CLAMOR
CLAMOR
SHELTER 109
Those who feel unwell, this way!
Phew...
It's been busy all morning.
Breathe in... and out...
Wheeze...
Asimov...
We're lucky you came along.

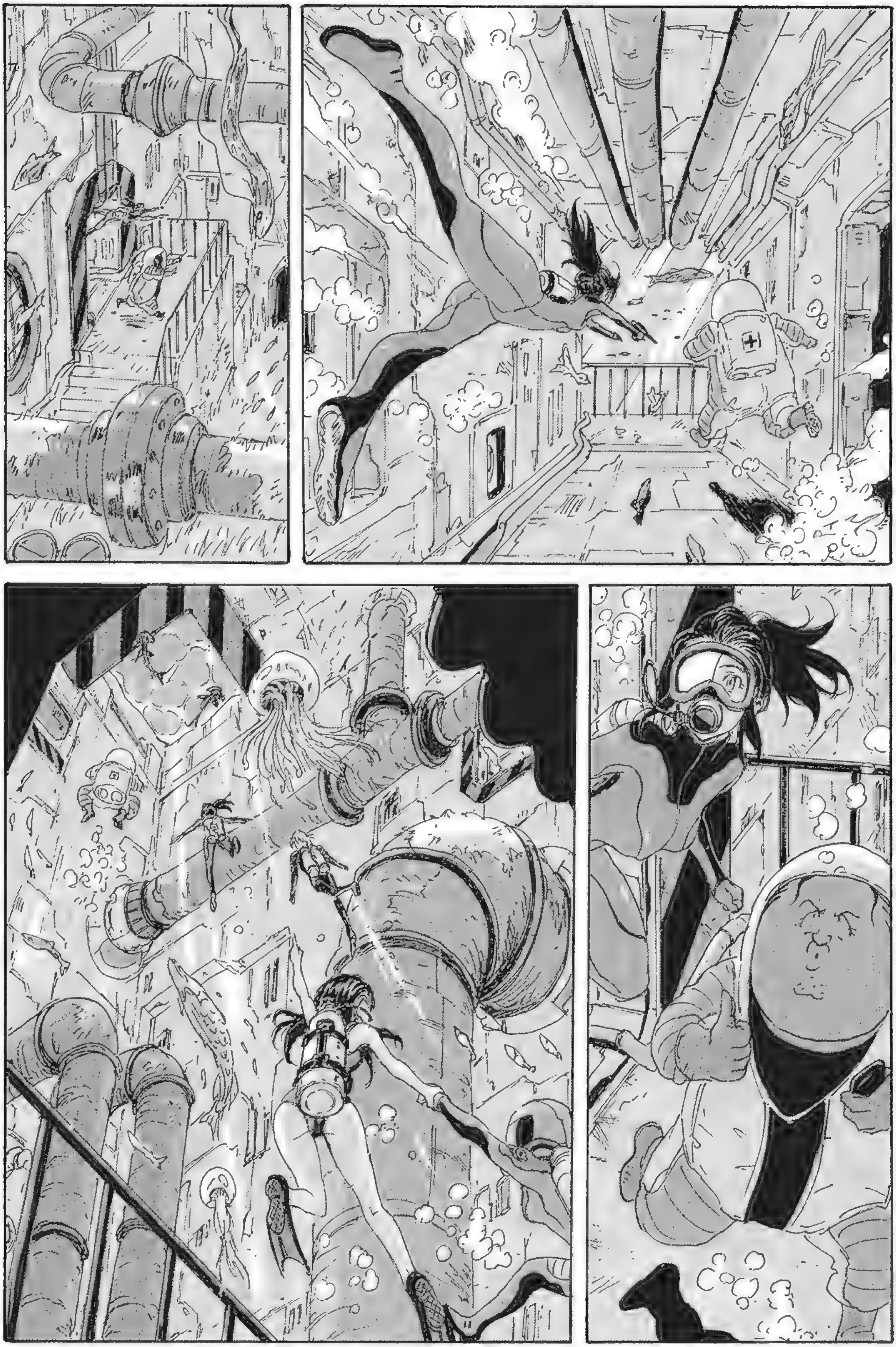

When our last doctor fell ill and passed on...
All we could do was wait for death.
But then you showed up.
Like you'd been sent from heaven, hoho!
KOFF
What will it take for you to recover your memory, Asimov?
CLICK
We owe you our lives. We want to help you with that much...
Don't let it concern you.
I don't need a past.
Hoho... I see...
Yes... there's much I wish I could forget...

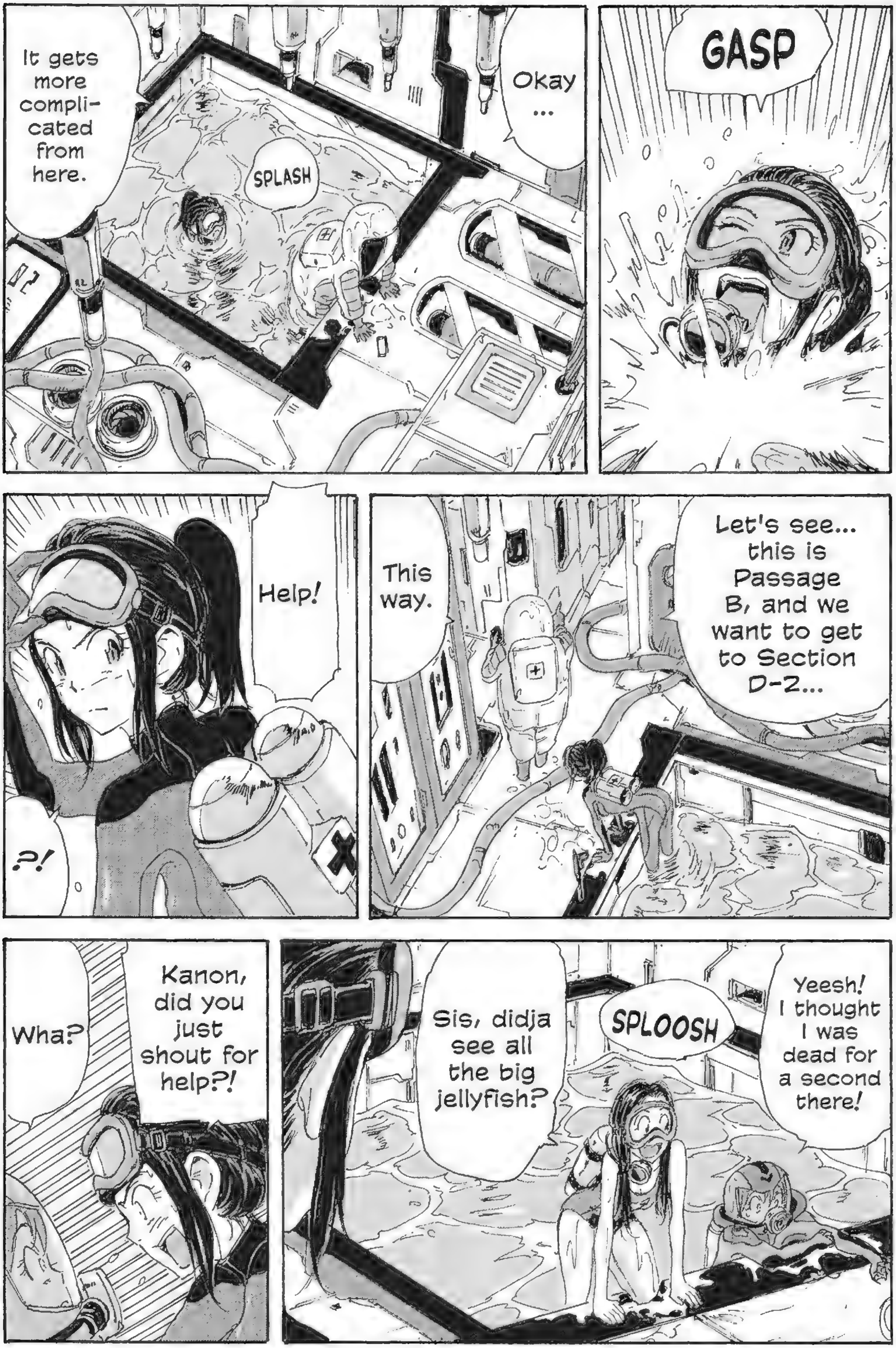

Are you there, nurse?
Bring me the next chart.
CHK
C-Coming!
CLOP
Mornin', missie.
Where's your other classmate?
Hm? Oh, Aoi?
She seems depressed...
I think it's best to let her rest for a while.
... aha.
She's safe here.
But make sure you keep an eye on her.

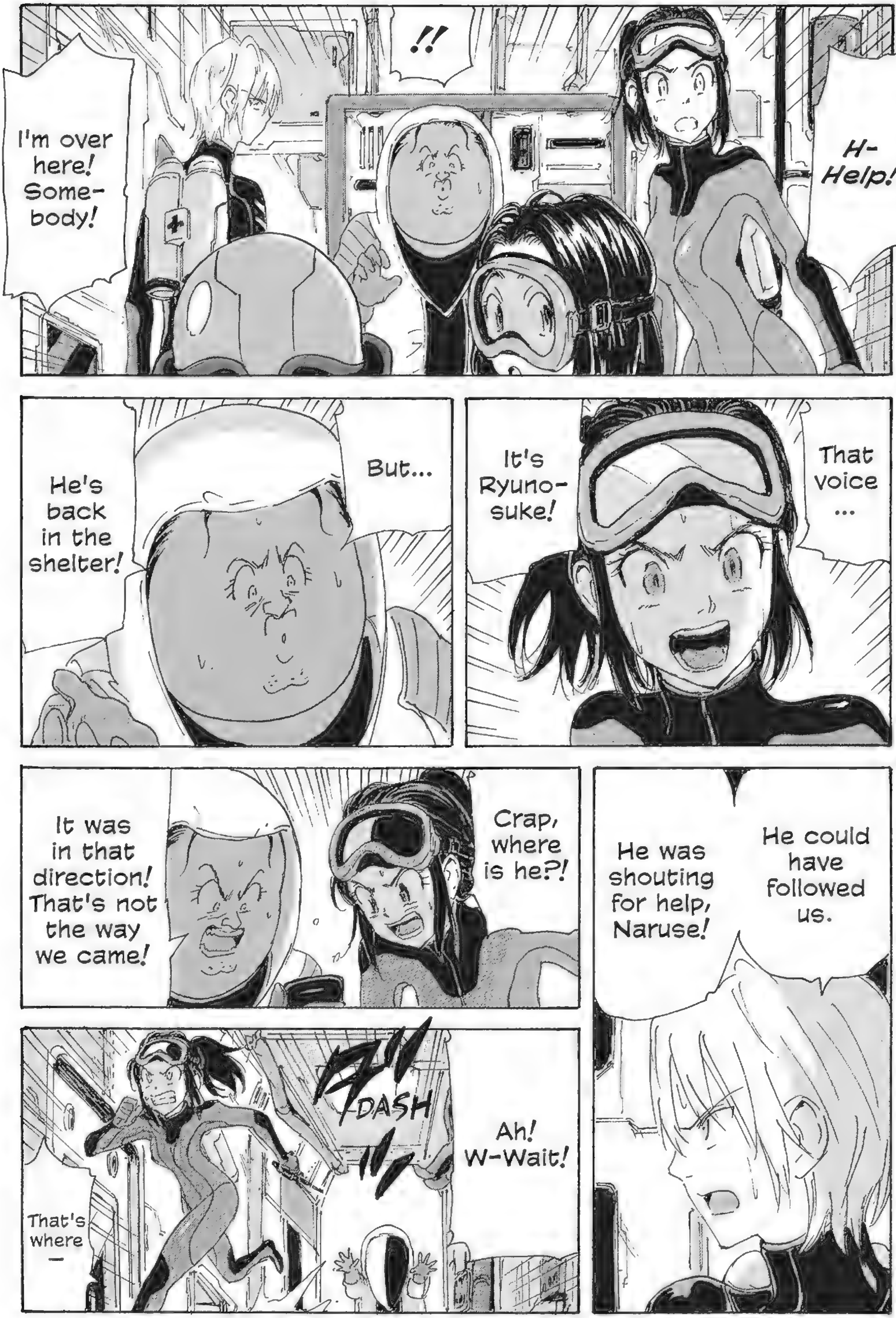

Where'd Ryunosuke run off to?!
DASH
What's all the fuss, Baler?
He didn't ring the bell this mornin'!
It's his job! I missed my morning shows!
Wow! Lookit all the fishies!
PLUNK
Radiation is at safe levels...
The water filters are doing their job.
Are we there yet?!

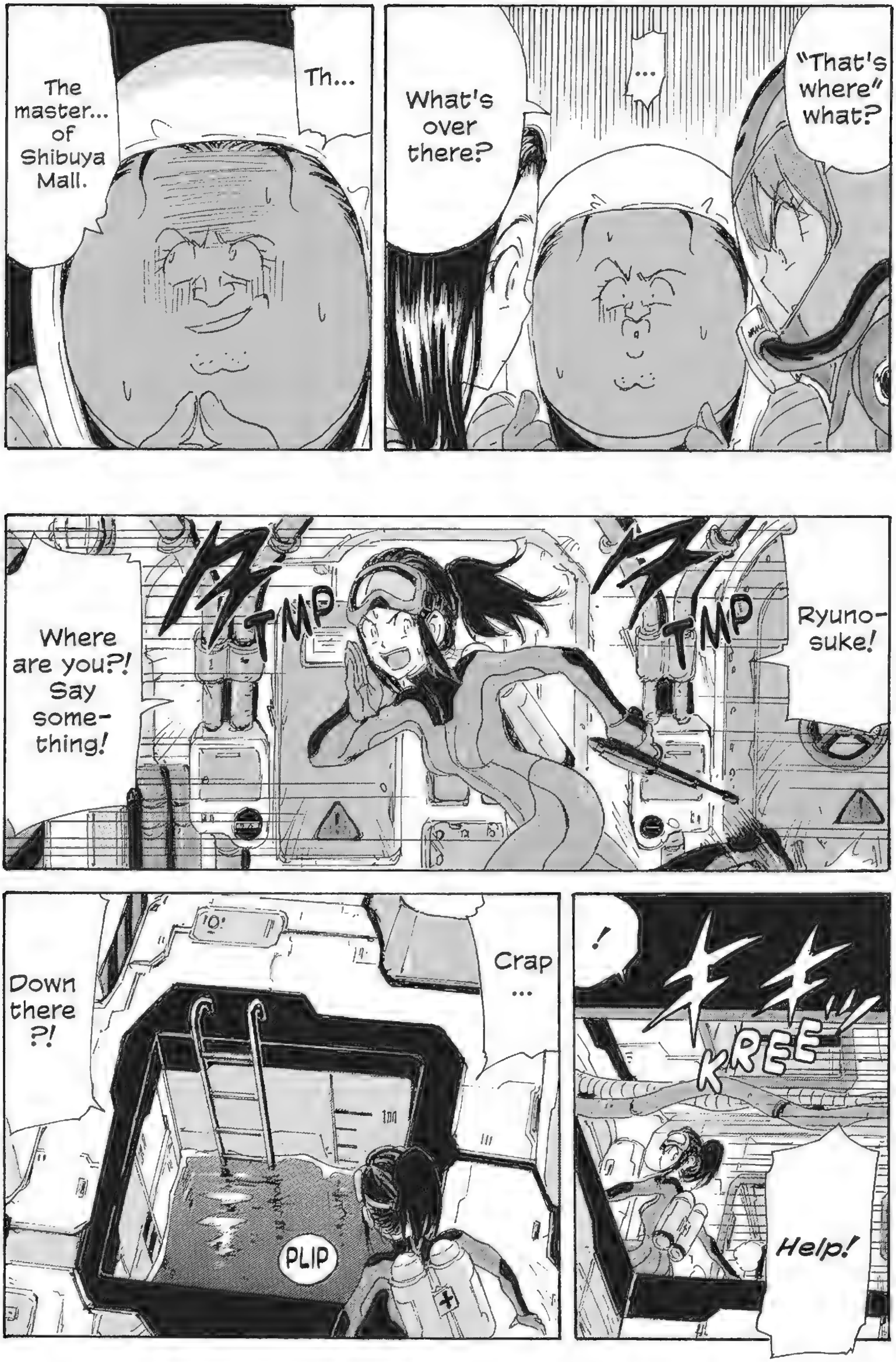

It's a freaking aquarium down there!
Down the—
Oh! We need to go down these escalators.
We still have a ways to go.
Let's move!
We've got oxygen. We'll be fine.
GWOO
...maybe I'd better go back.
We told you, it's an underwater maze.
SPLASSH

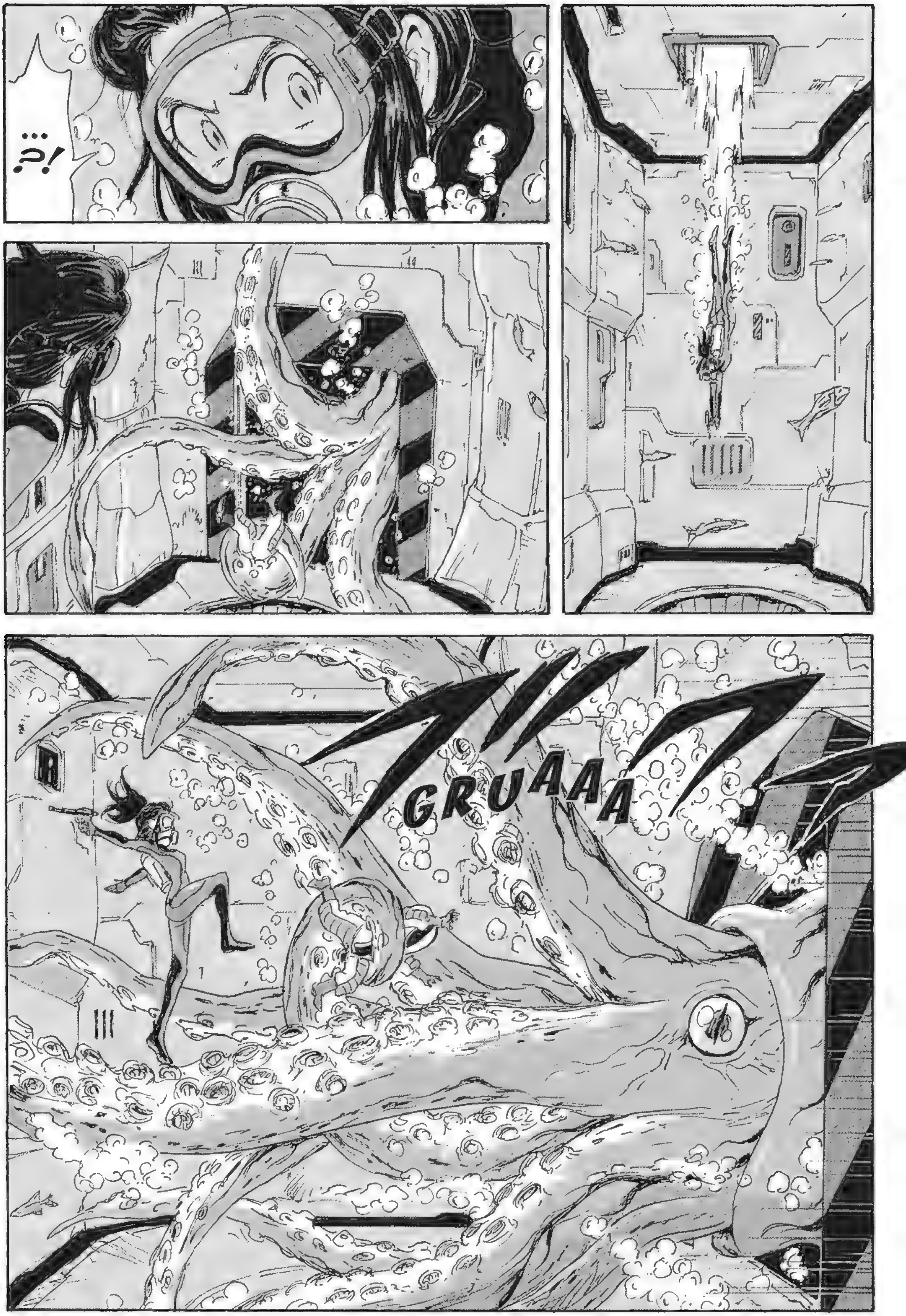

I'm a skoo-ba diver! Kyahaha!
I'm not gonna just sink, am I?
GWSH
SPLOOSH
SHIBUYA MALL
BONK

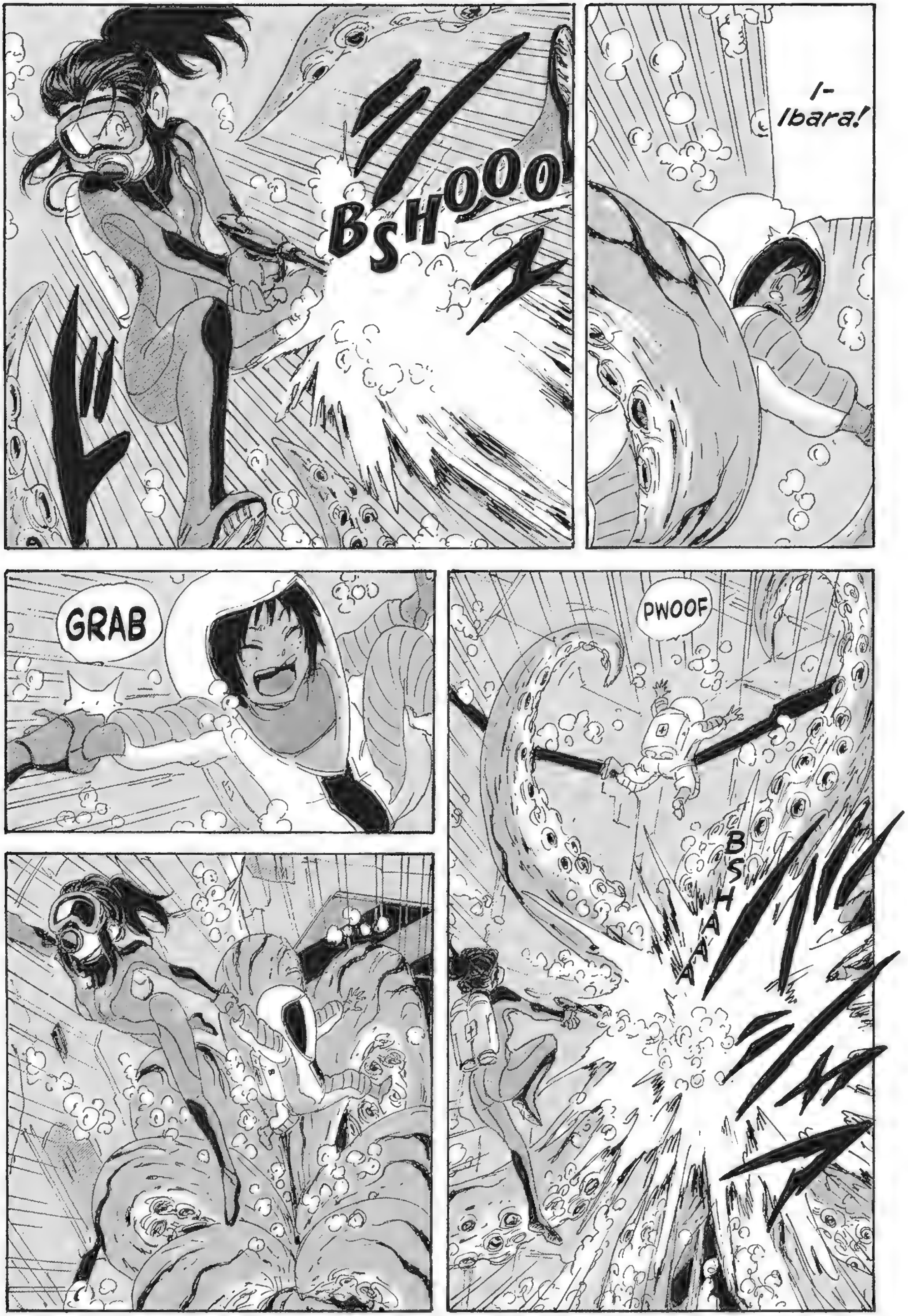


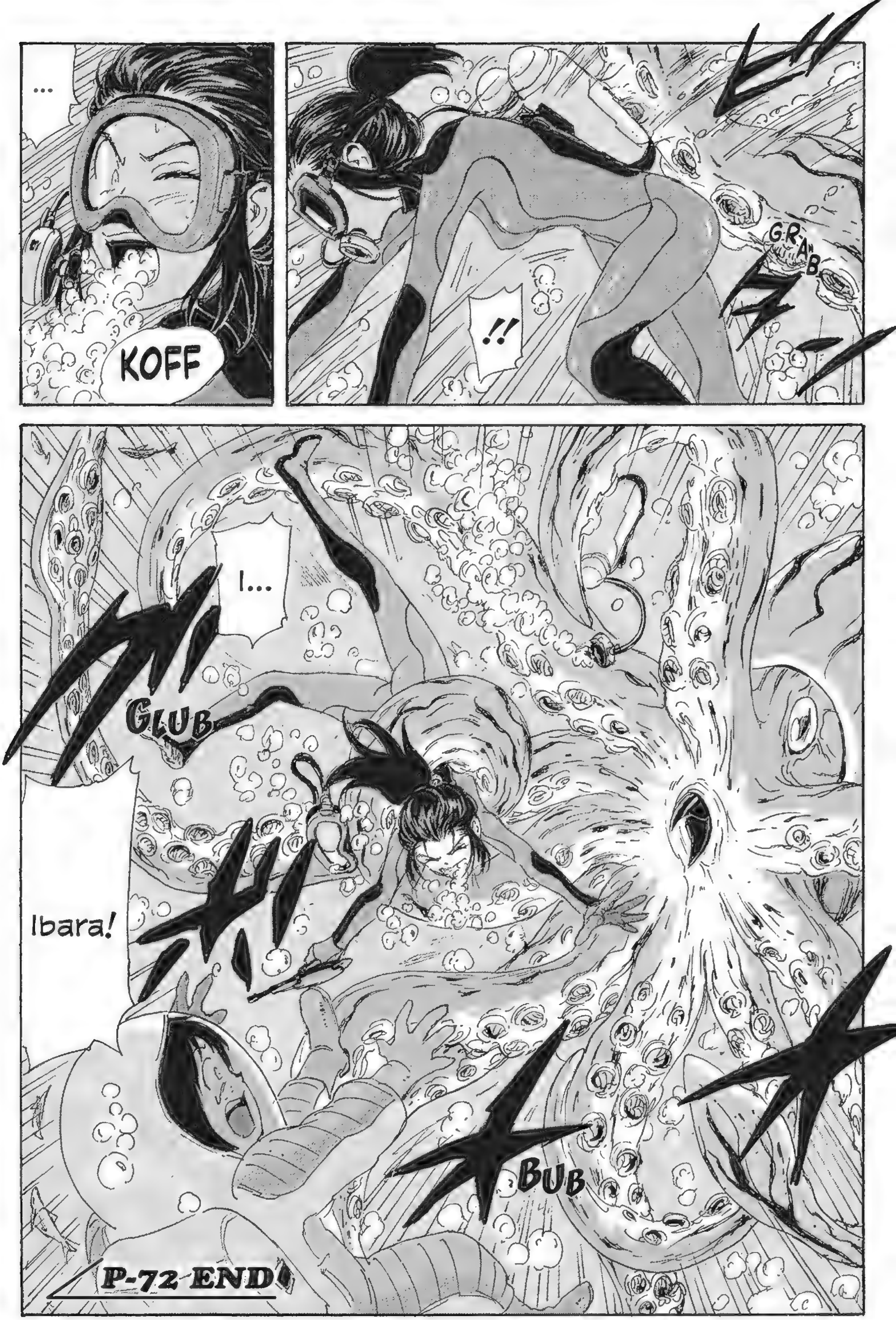

GASP
Okay ...
It gets more complicated from here.
SPLASH
Let's see... this is Passage B, and we want to get to Section D-2...
This way.
Help!
?!
Yeesh! I thought I was dead for a second there!
SPLOOSH
Sis, didja see all the big jellyfish?
Kanon, did you just shout for help?!
Wha?

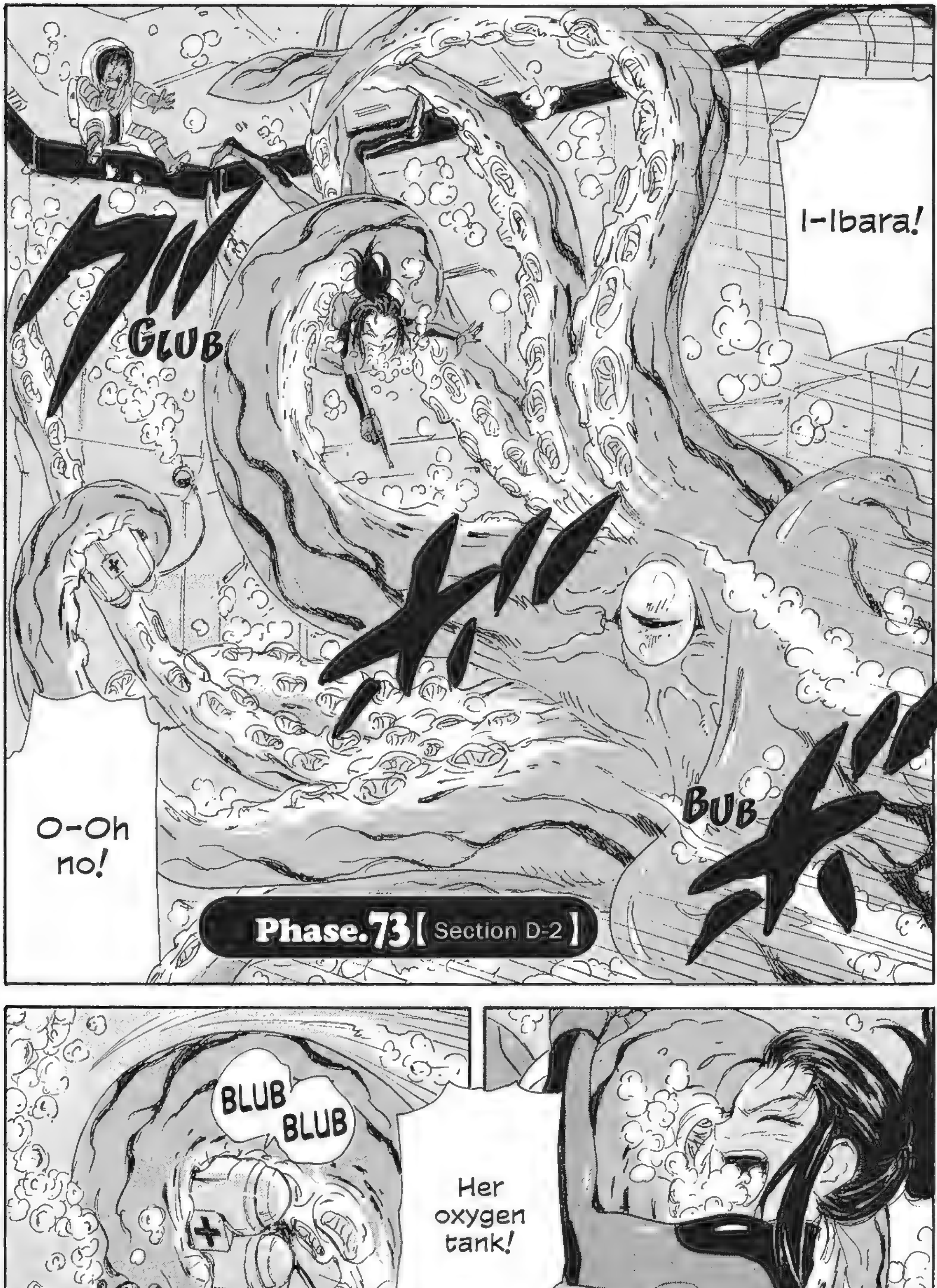

H- Help!
!!
I'm over here! Somebody!
That voice …
It's Ryunosuke!
But...
He's back in the shelter!
He could have followed us.
He was shouting for help, Naruse!
Crap, where is he?!
It was in that direction! That's not the way we came!
Ah! W-Wait!
DASH
That's where —


"That's where" what?
...
What's over there?
Th...
The master... of Shibuya Mall.
Ryunosuke!
TMP
TMP
Where are you?! Say something!
!
KREE
Help!
Crap...
Down there?!
PLIP


…?!
GRUAAAA


BSHOOOM
I- Ibara!
GRAB
PWOOF
BSHAAAA

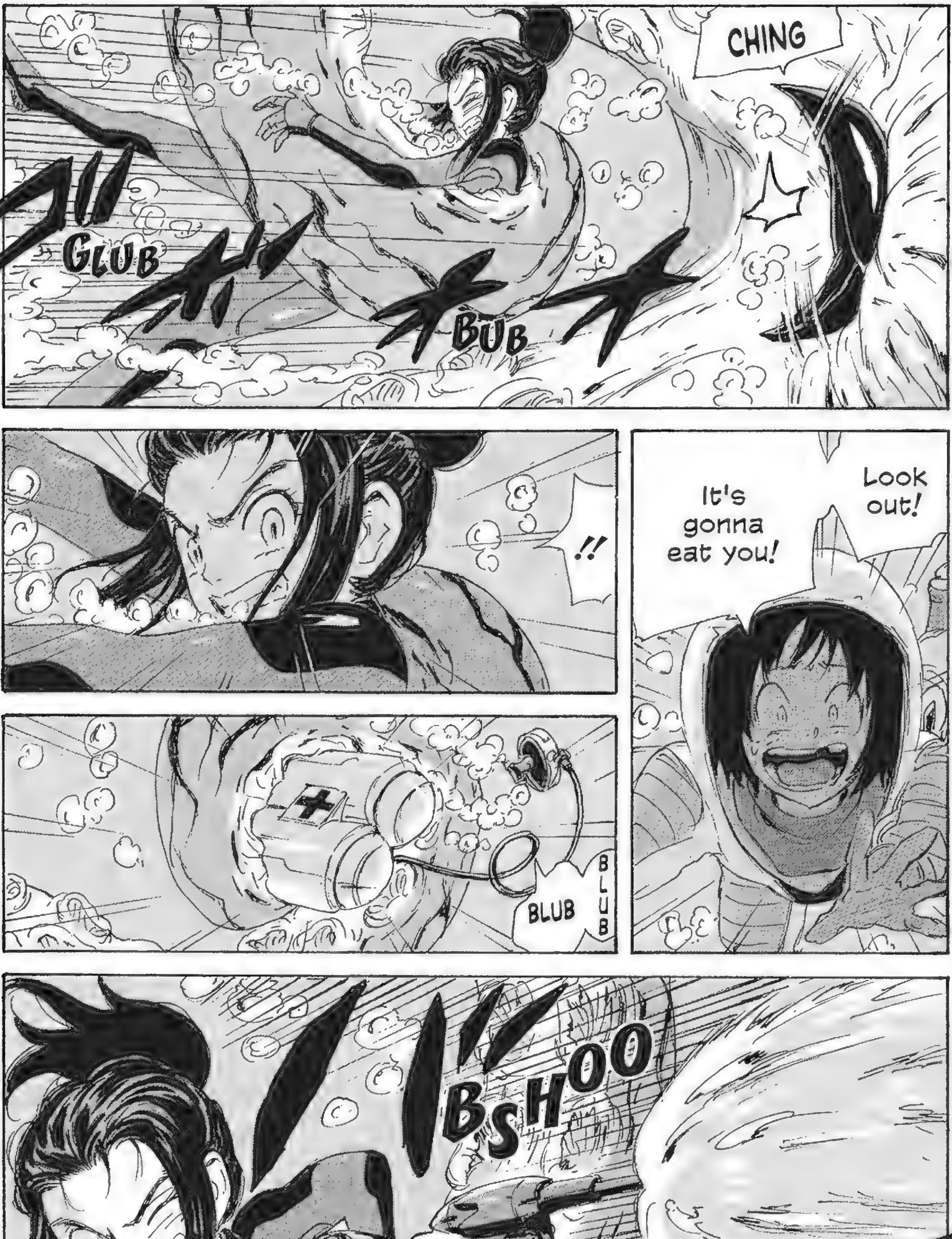

GRAB
!!
...
KOFF
I...
GLUB
Ibara!
BUB
P-72 END

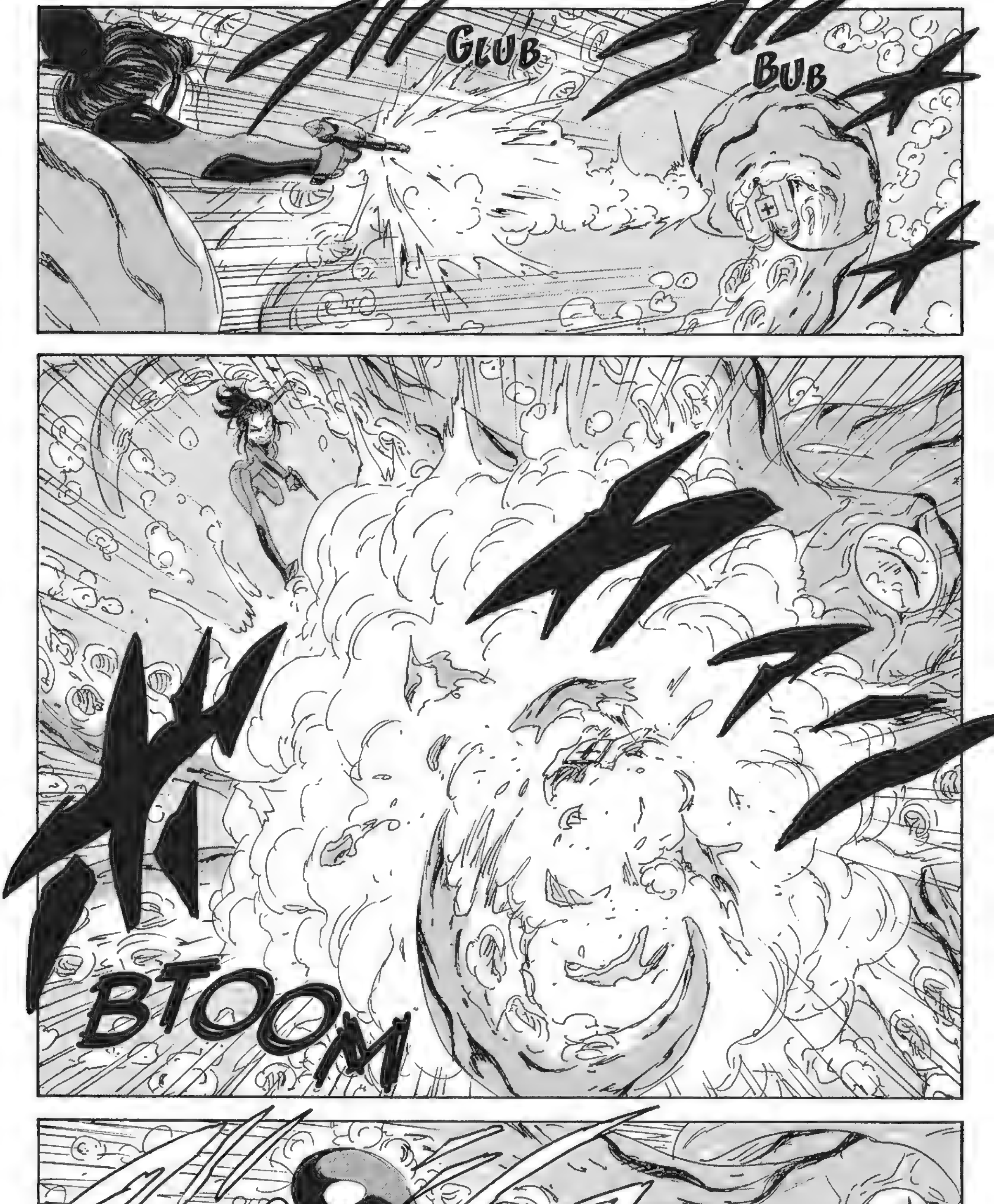


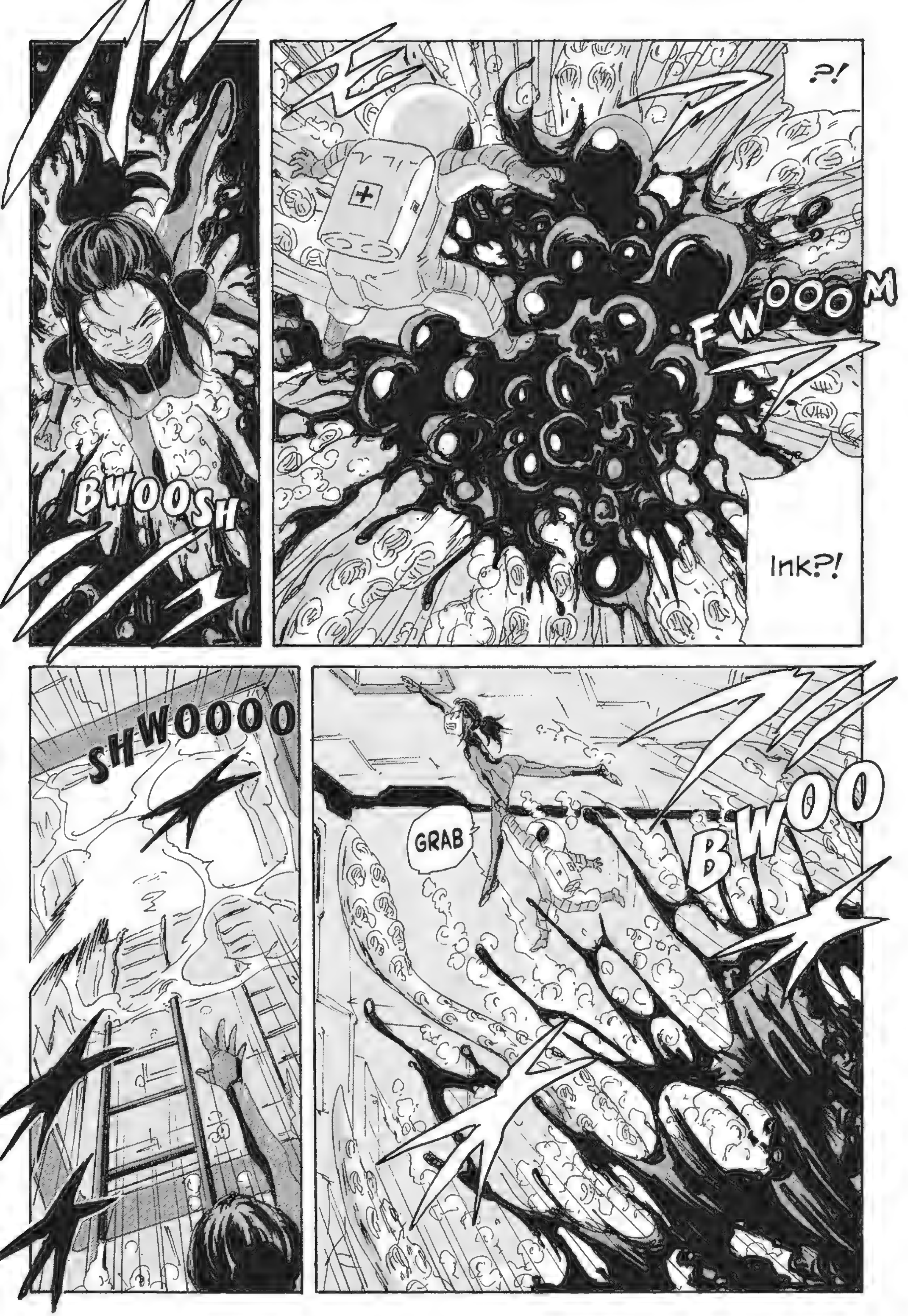
Phase.73 [Section D-2]

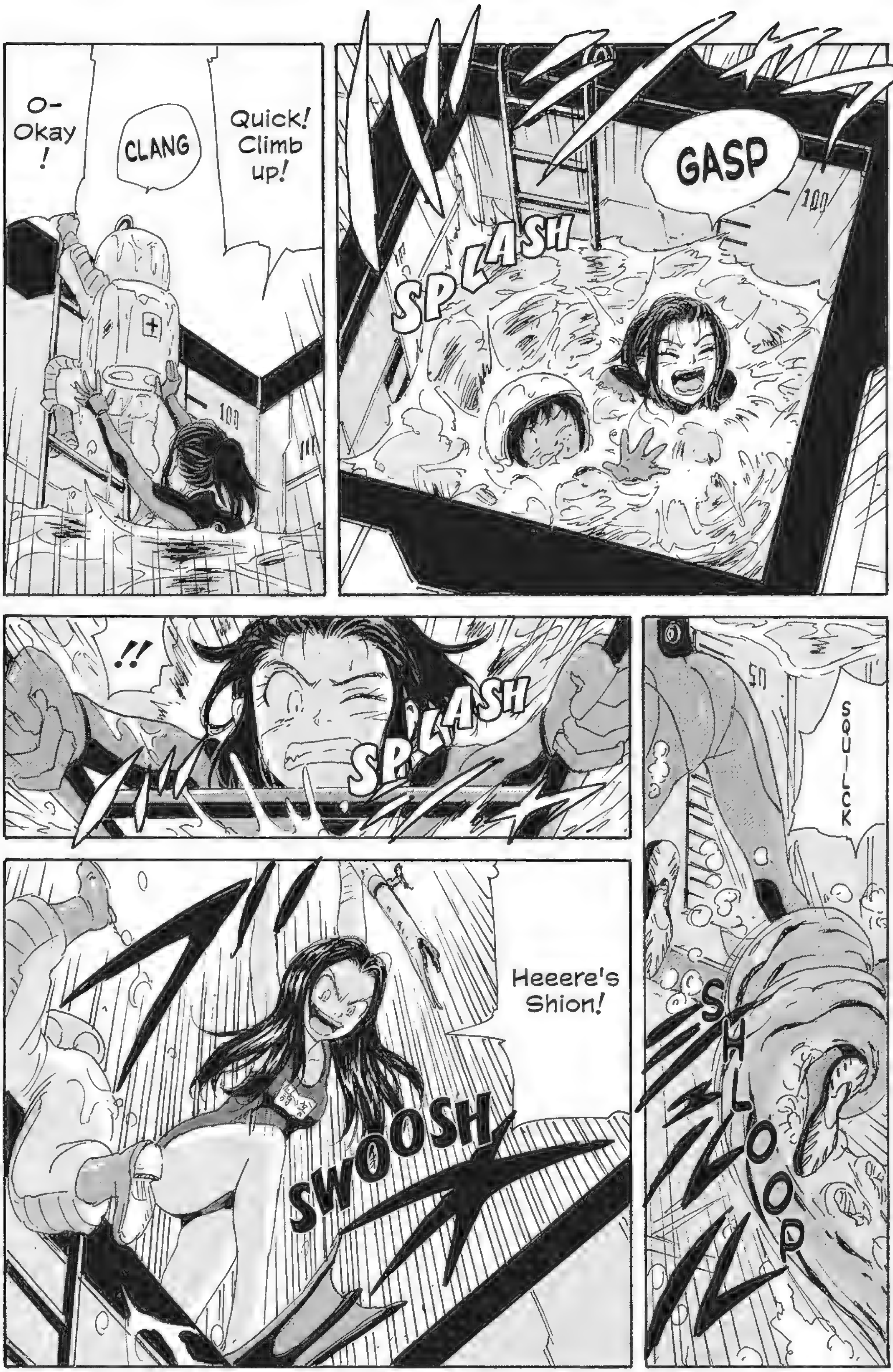
I-Ibara!
GLUB
O-Oh no!
BUB
HACK
Her oxygen tank!
BLUB BLUB

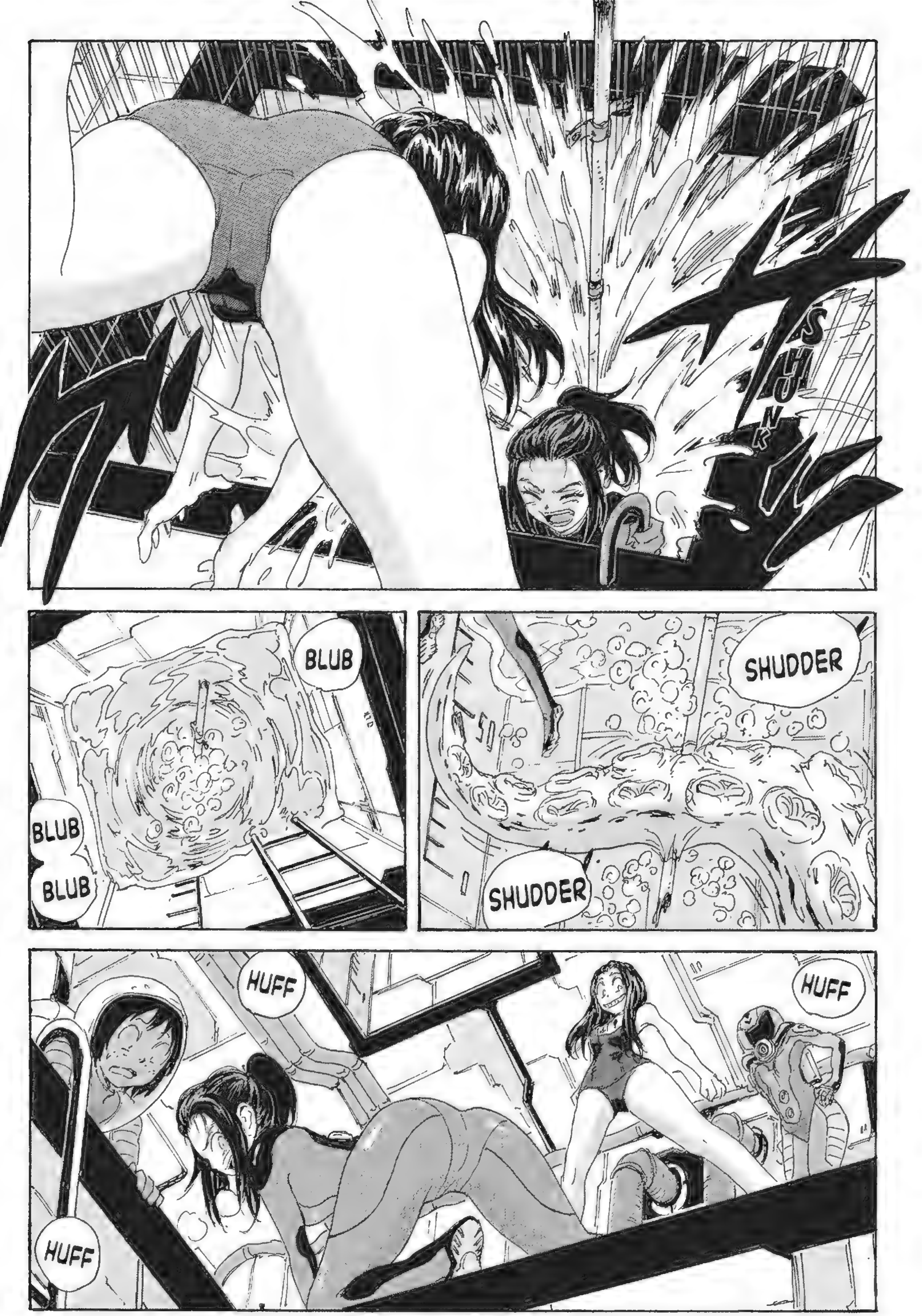
SHWOOOO
CHING
KOFF
HACK
CHING

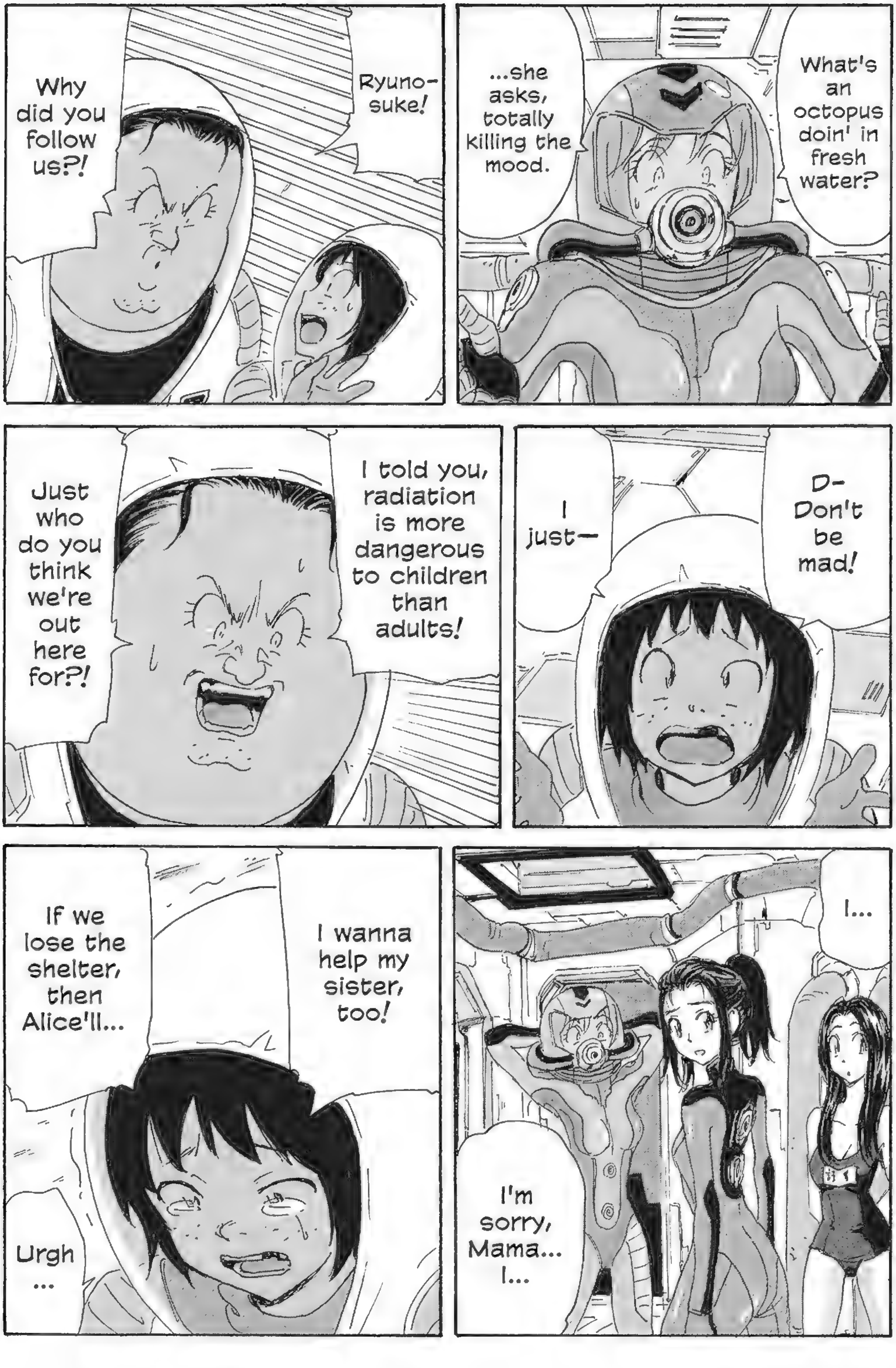

CHING
GLUB
BUB
Look out!
It's gonna eat you!
!!
BLUB
BLUB
BSHOO

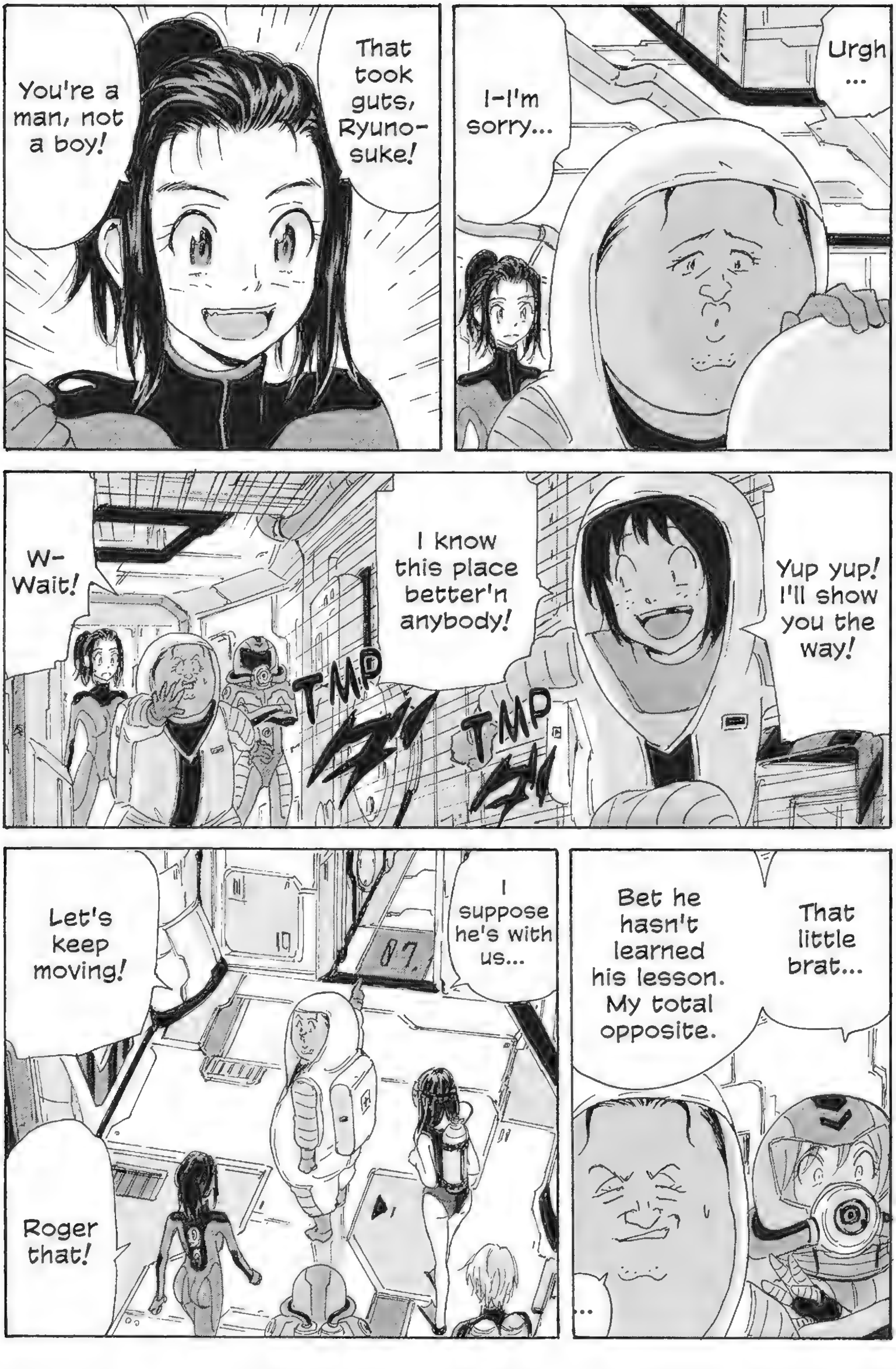

GLUB
BUB
BTOOM
SHOOO

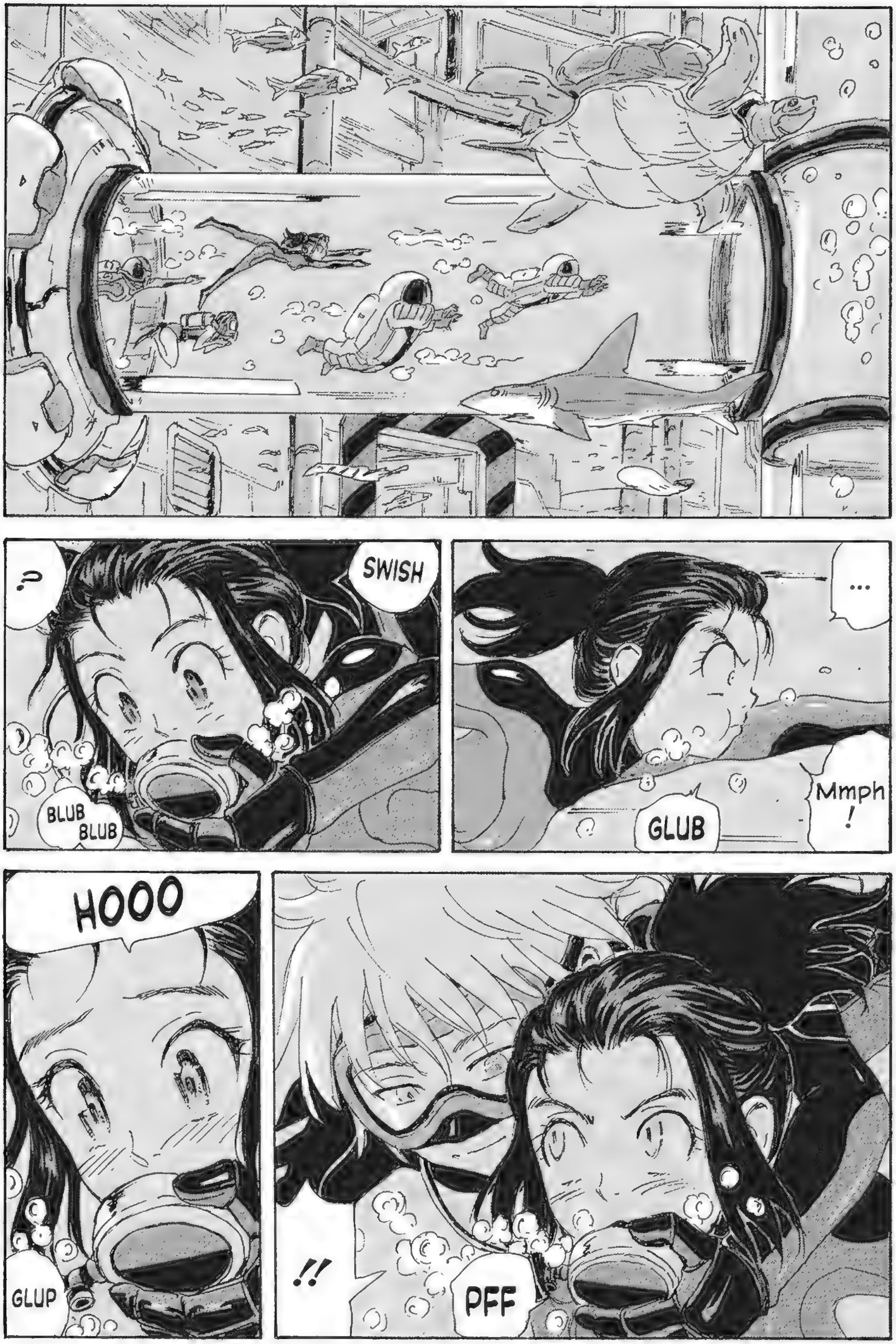

BWOOSH
?!
FWOOOM
Ink?!
SHWOOOO
GRAB
BWOO

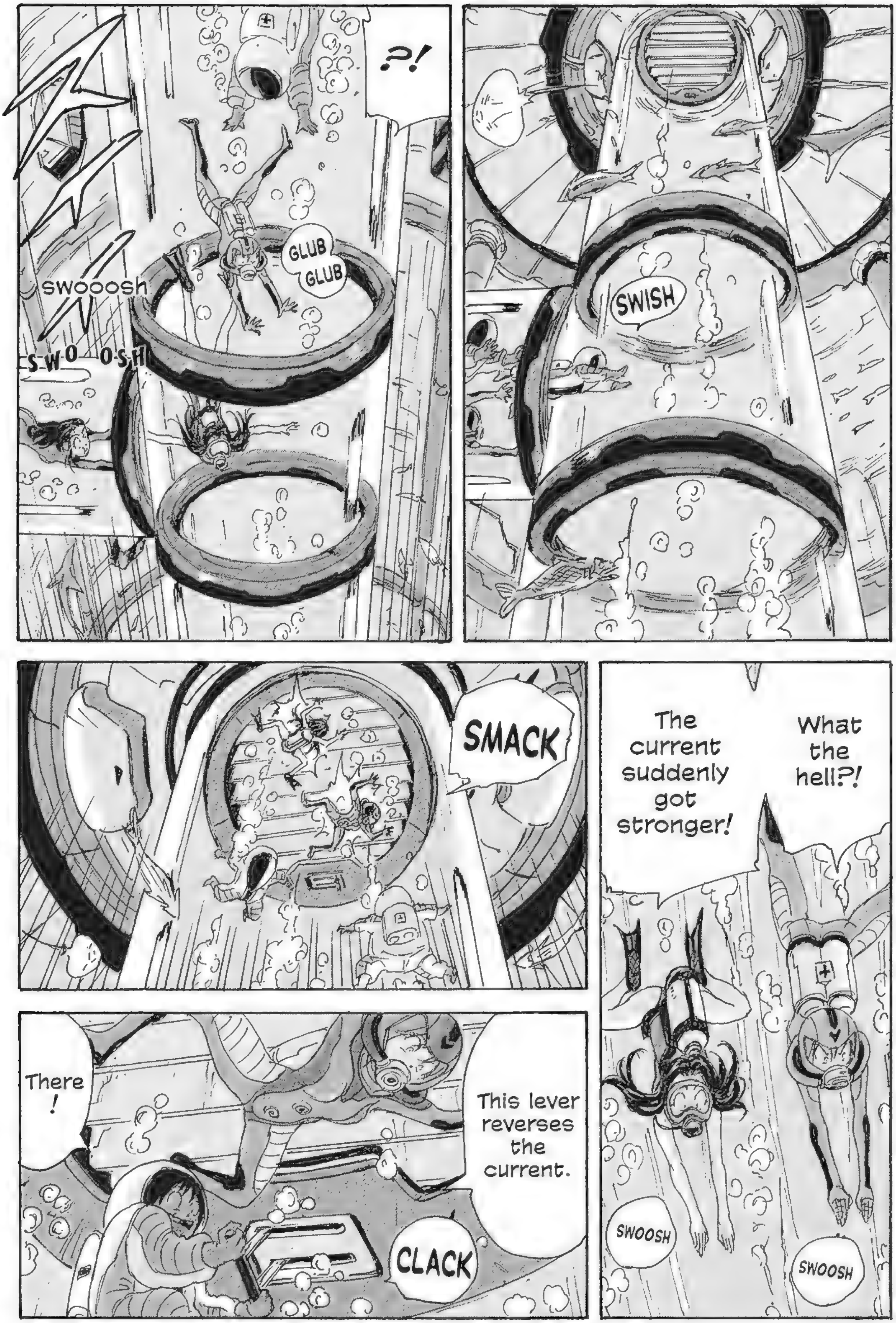

GASP
SPLASH
Quick! Climb up!
CLANG
O-Okay!
SQUILCK
SHLOOP
!!
SPLASH
Heeere's Shion!
SWOOSH

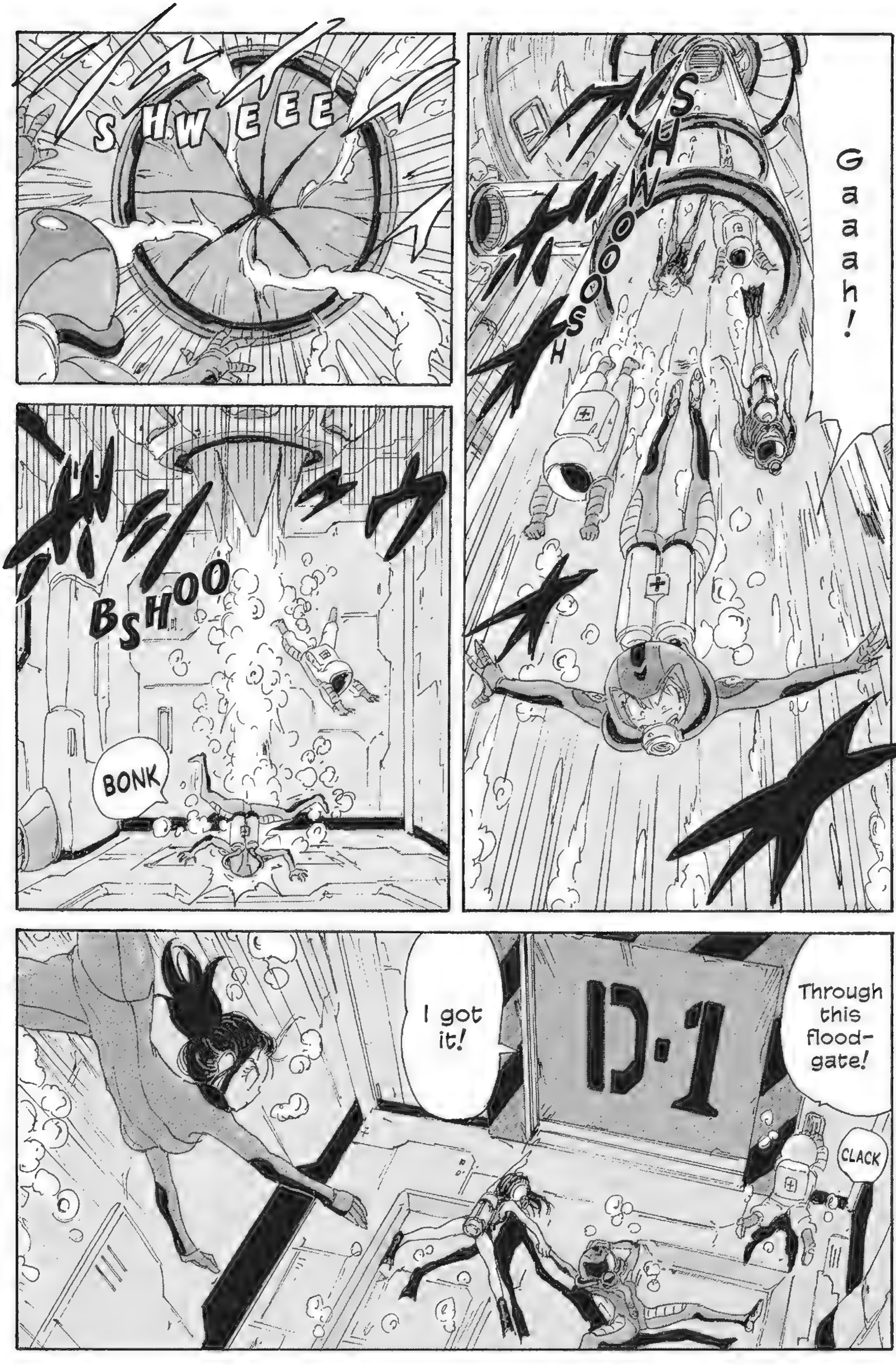

SHUNK
SHUDDER
SHUDDER
BLUB
BLUB
BLUB
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF

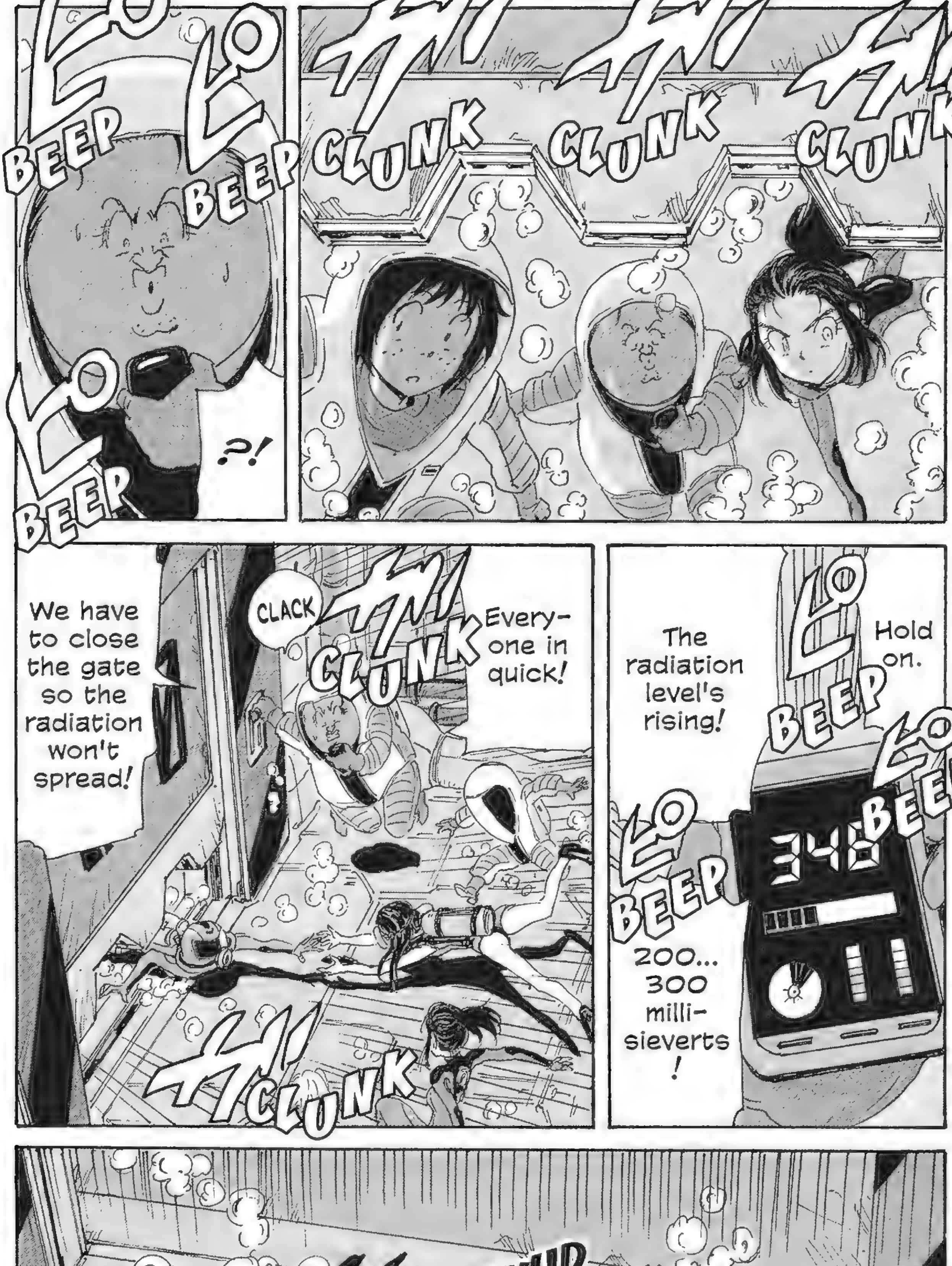

What's an octopus doin' in fresh water?
...she asks, totally killing the mood.
Ryunosuke!
Why did you follow us?!
D-Don't be mad!
I just—
I told you, radiation is more dangerous to children than adults!
Just who do you think we're out here for?!
I...
I'm sorry, Mama... I...
I wanna help my sister, too!
If we lose the shelter, then Alice'll...
Urgh...

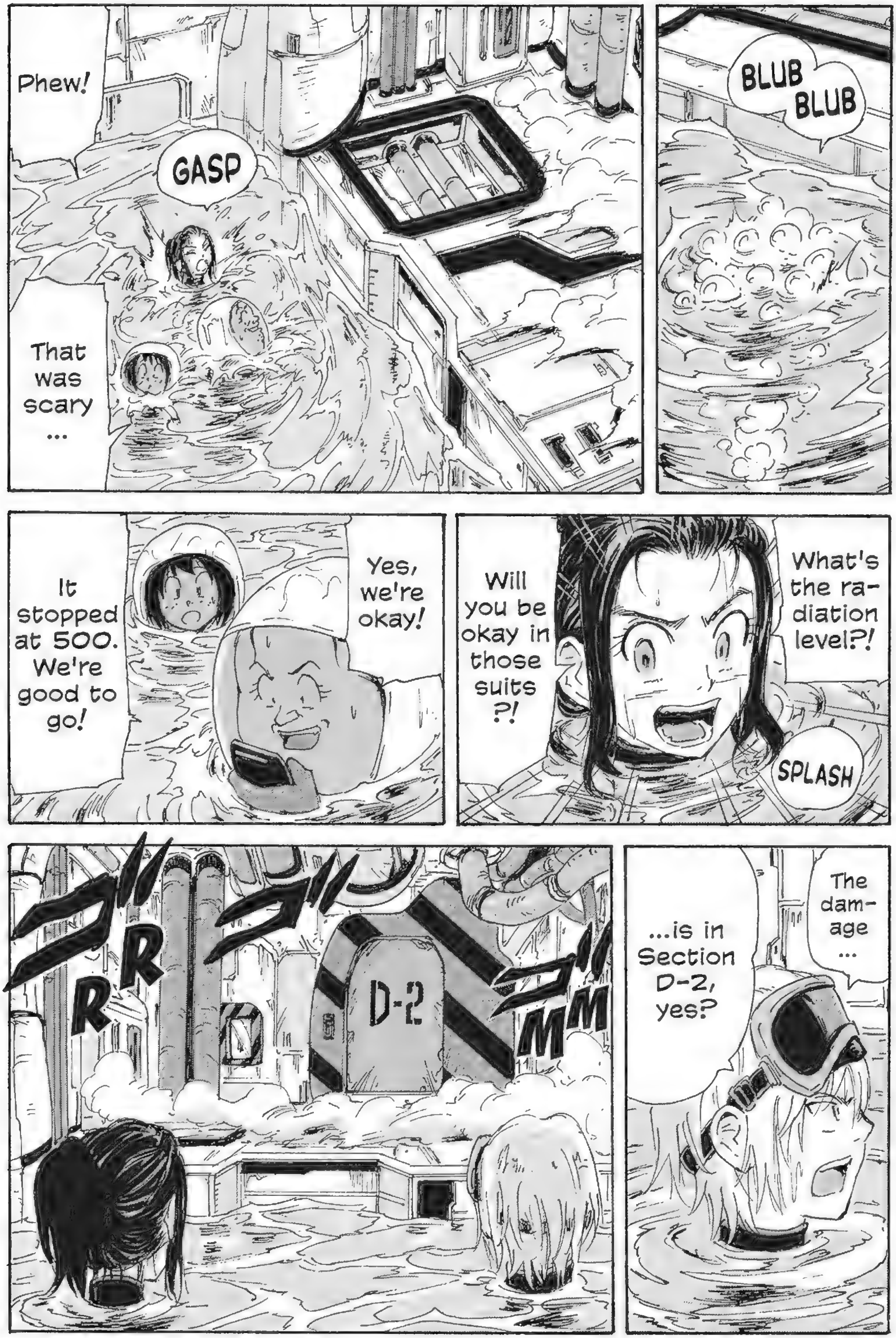

Urgh...
I-I'm sorry...
That took guts, Ryunosuke!
You're a man, not a boy!
Yup yup! I'll show you the way!
I know this place better'n anybody!
TMP
TMP
W-Wait!
That little brat...
Bet he hasn't learned his lesson. My total opposite.
...
I suppose he's with us...
Let's keep moving!
Roger that!

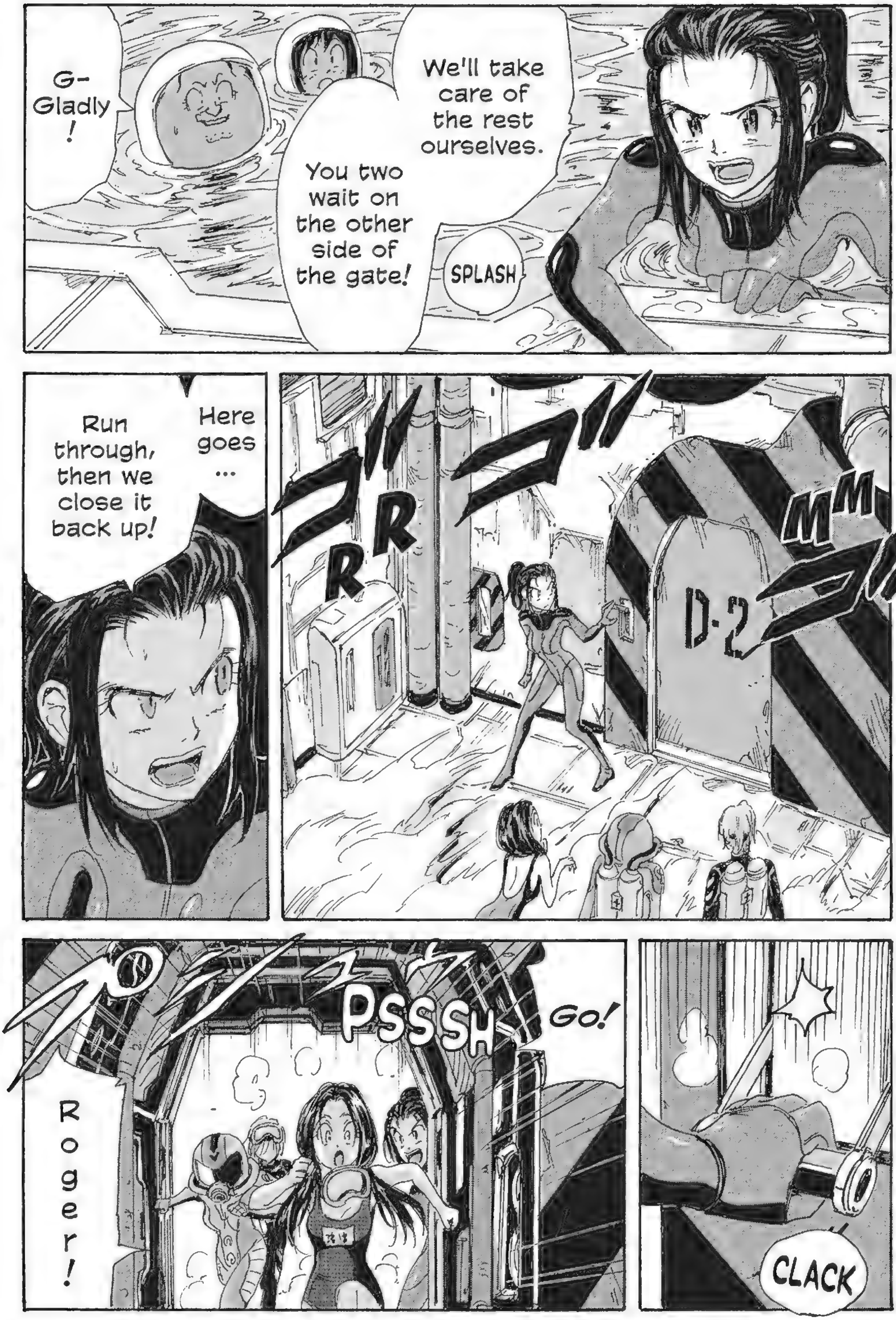

?
SWISH
BLUB BLUB
...
GLUB
Mmph!
HOOO
GLUP
!!
PFF

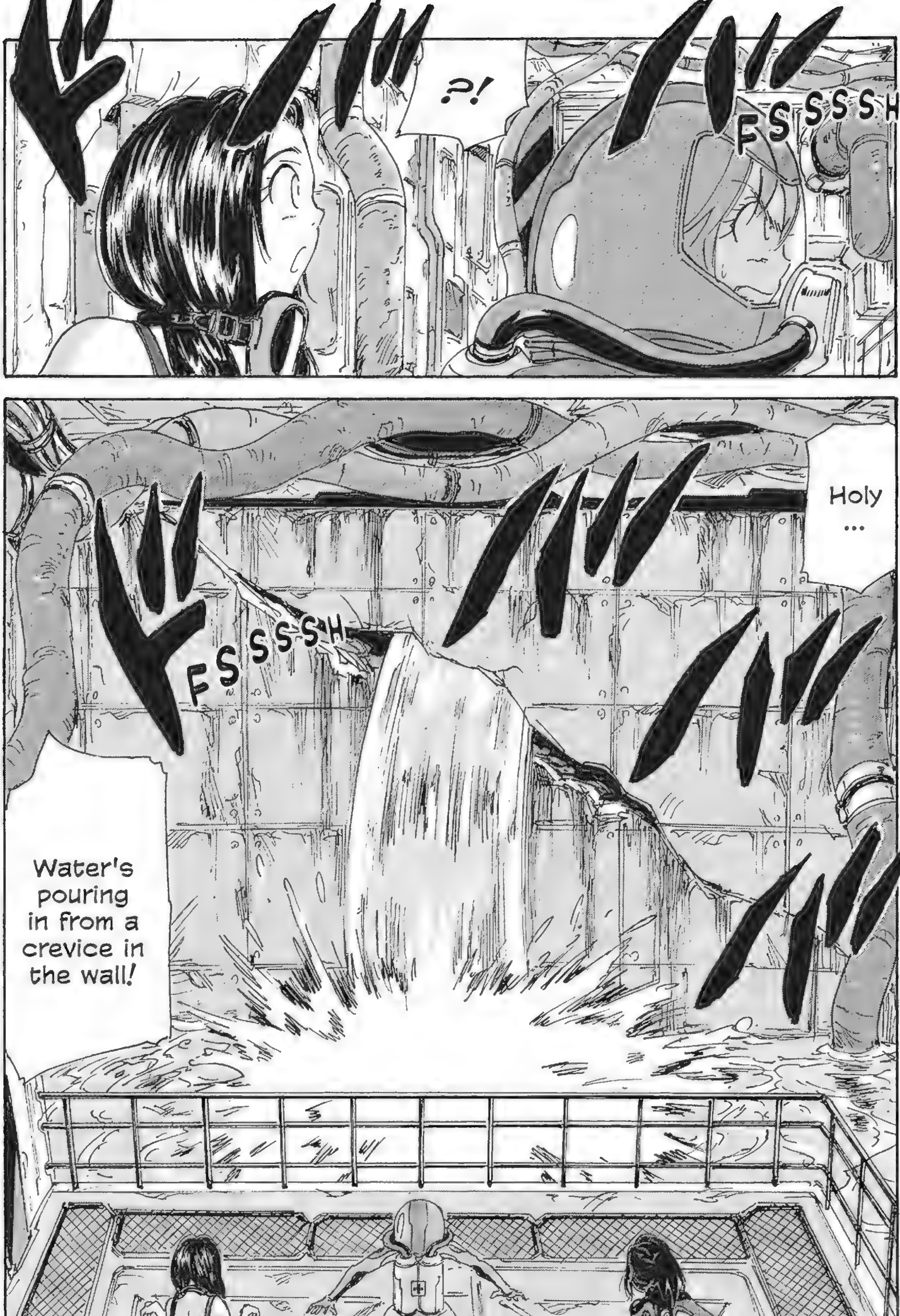

SWISH
?!
GLUB GLUB
swoooosh
SWOOOSH
What the hell?!
The current suddenly got stronger!
SWOOSH
SWOOSH
SMACK
This lever reverses the current.
There!
CLACK

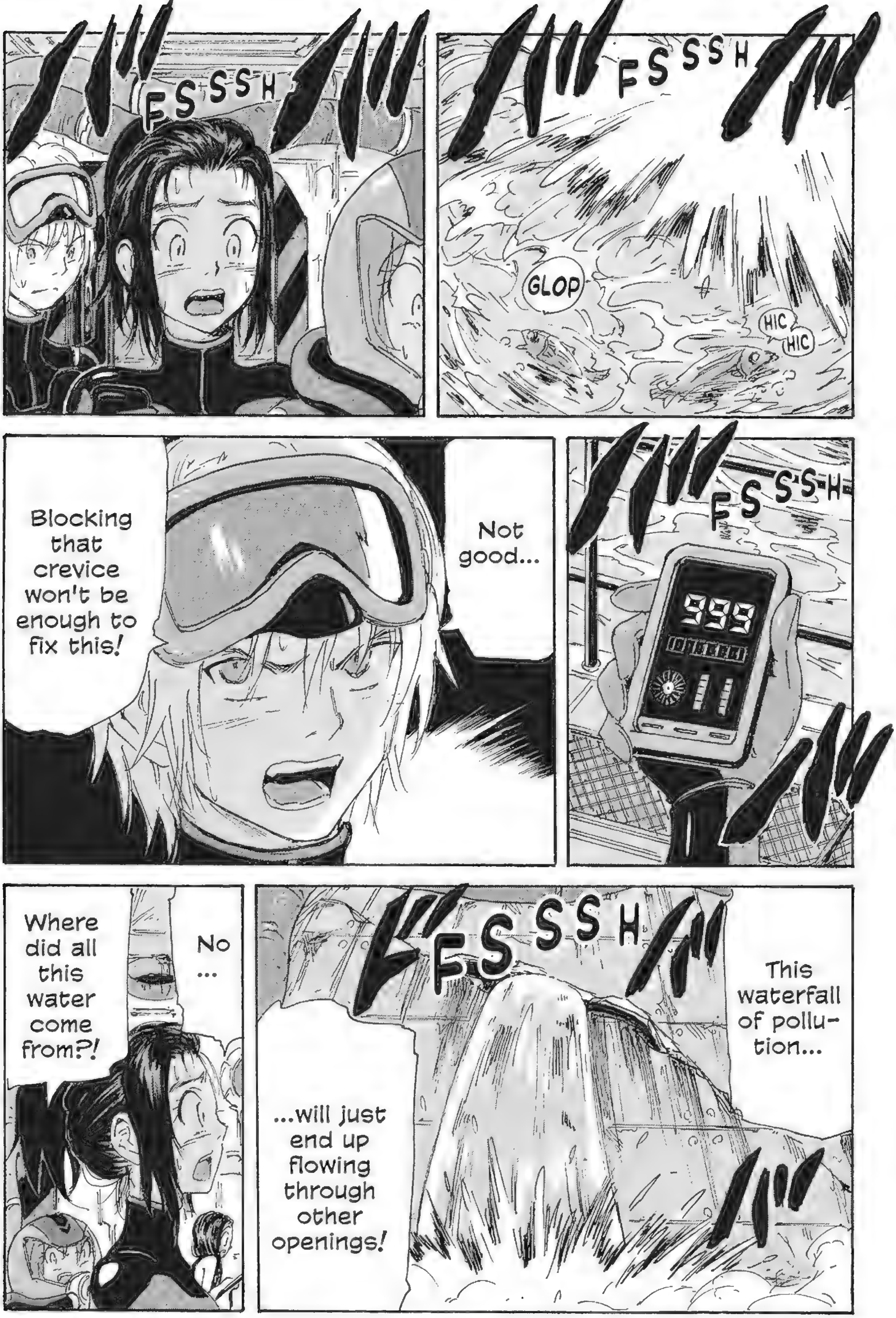

SHWEEE
BSHOO
BONK
SHWOOOSH
Gaaah!
I got it!
Through this flood-gate!
D-1
CLACK

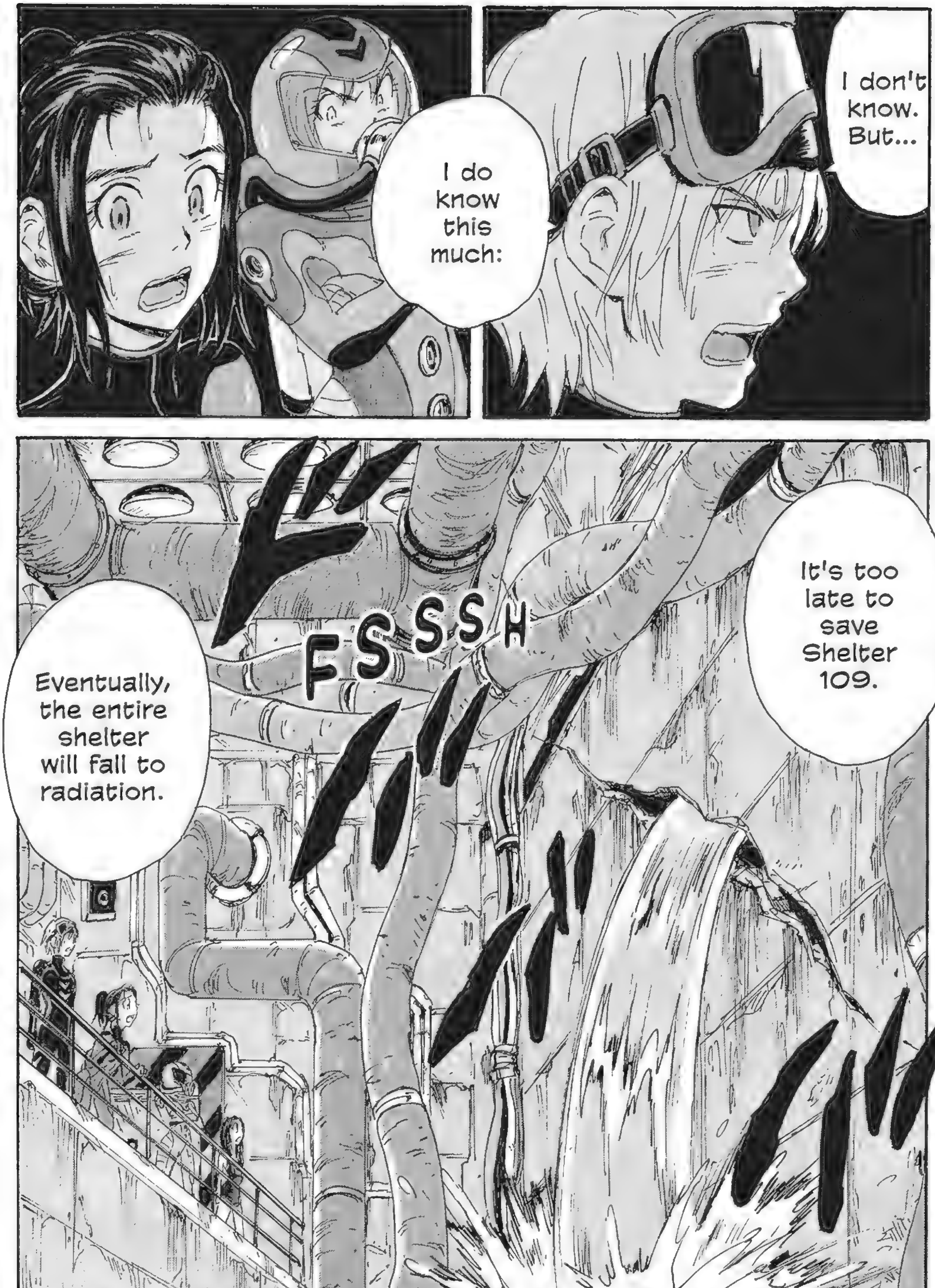

CLUNK
CLUNK
CLUNK
BEEP
BEEP
BEEP
?!
Hold on.
The radiation level's rising!
BEEP
BEEP
BEEP
348
200... 300 milli-sieverts!
Every-one in quick!
CLACK
CLUNK
We have to close the gate so the radiation won't spread!
CLUNK
THUD


BLUB BLUB
GASP
Phew!
That was scary ...
What's the radiation level?!
Will you be okay in those suits?!
SPLASH
Yes, we're okay!
It stopped at 500. We're good to go!
The damage ...
...is in Section D-2, yes?
D-2
ゴゴゴ
RRR
MMM

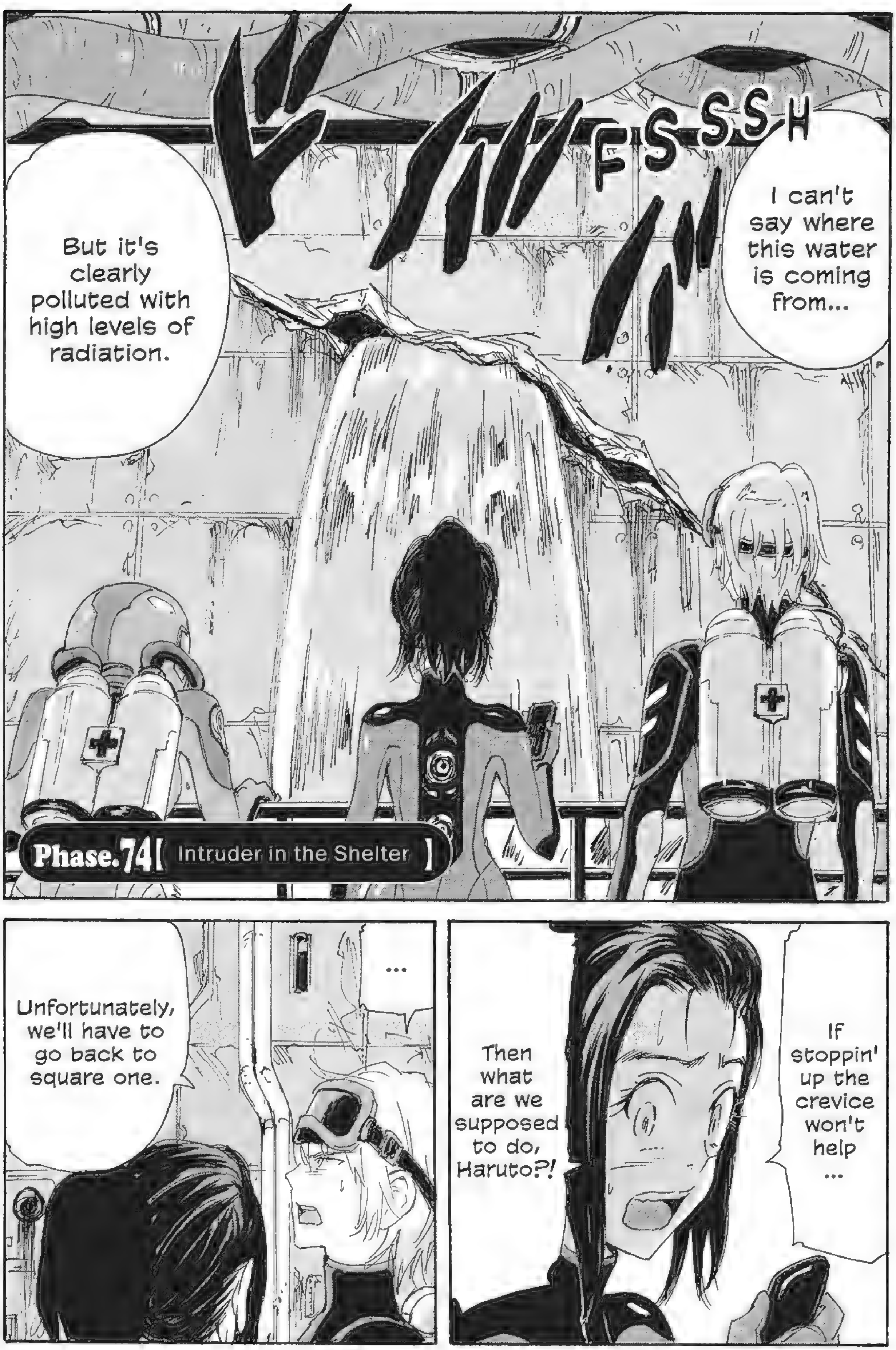

We'll take care of the rest ourselves.
You two wait on the other side of the gate!
SPLASH
G-Gladly!
MM
RRR
D-2
Here goes...
Run through, then we close it back up!
CLACK
Go!
PSSSH
Roger!

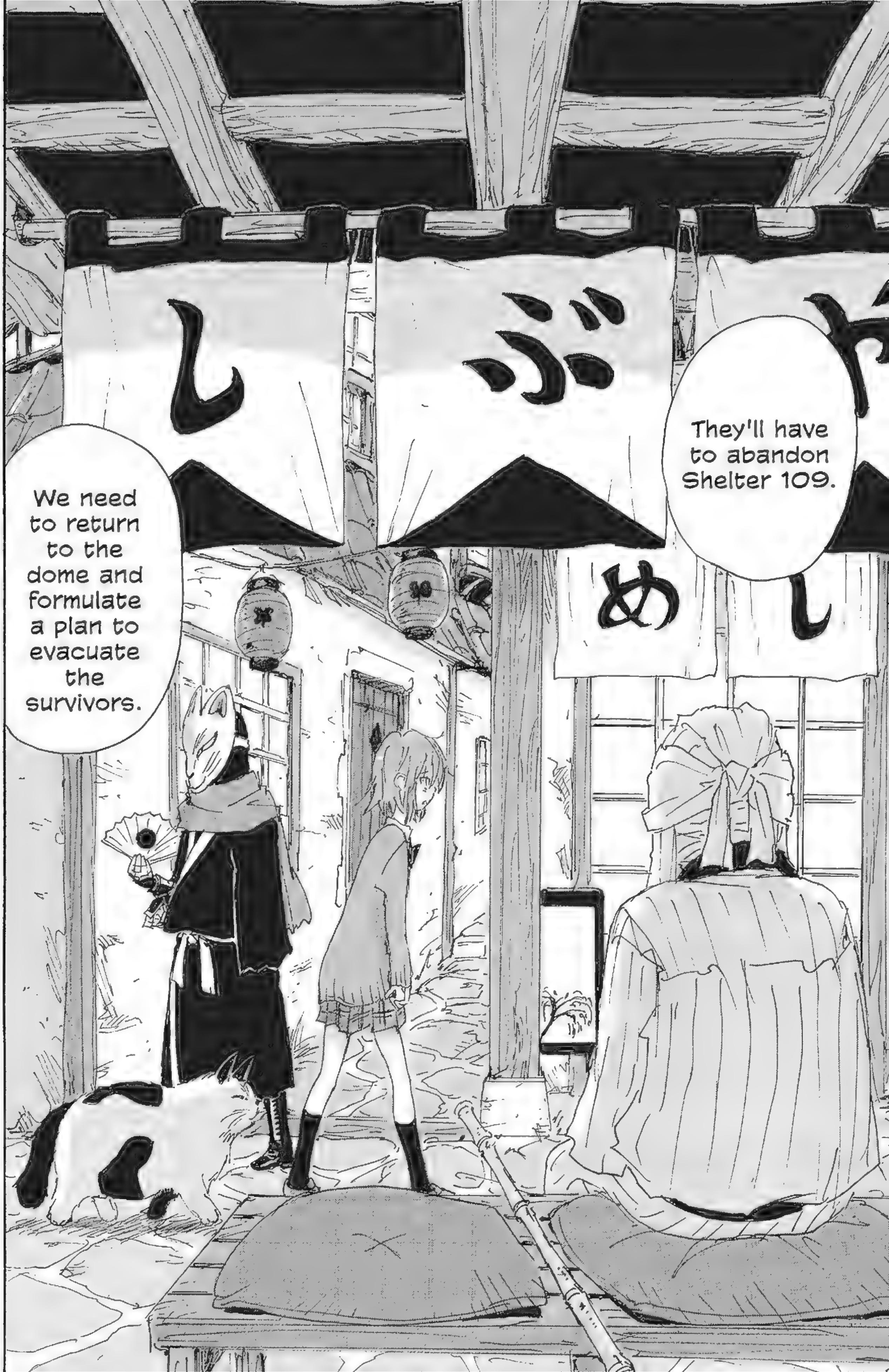

FSSSSH
ドド
?!
Holy ...
Water's pouring in from a crevice in the wall!
FSSSSH
ドド

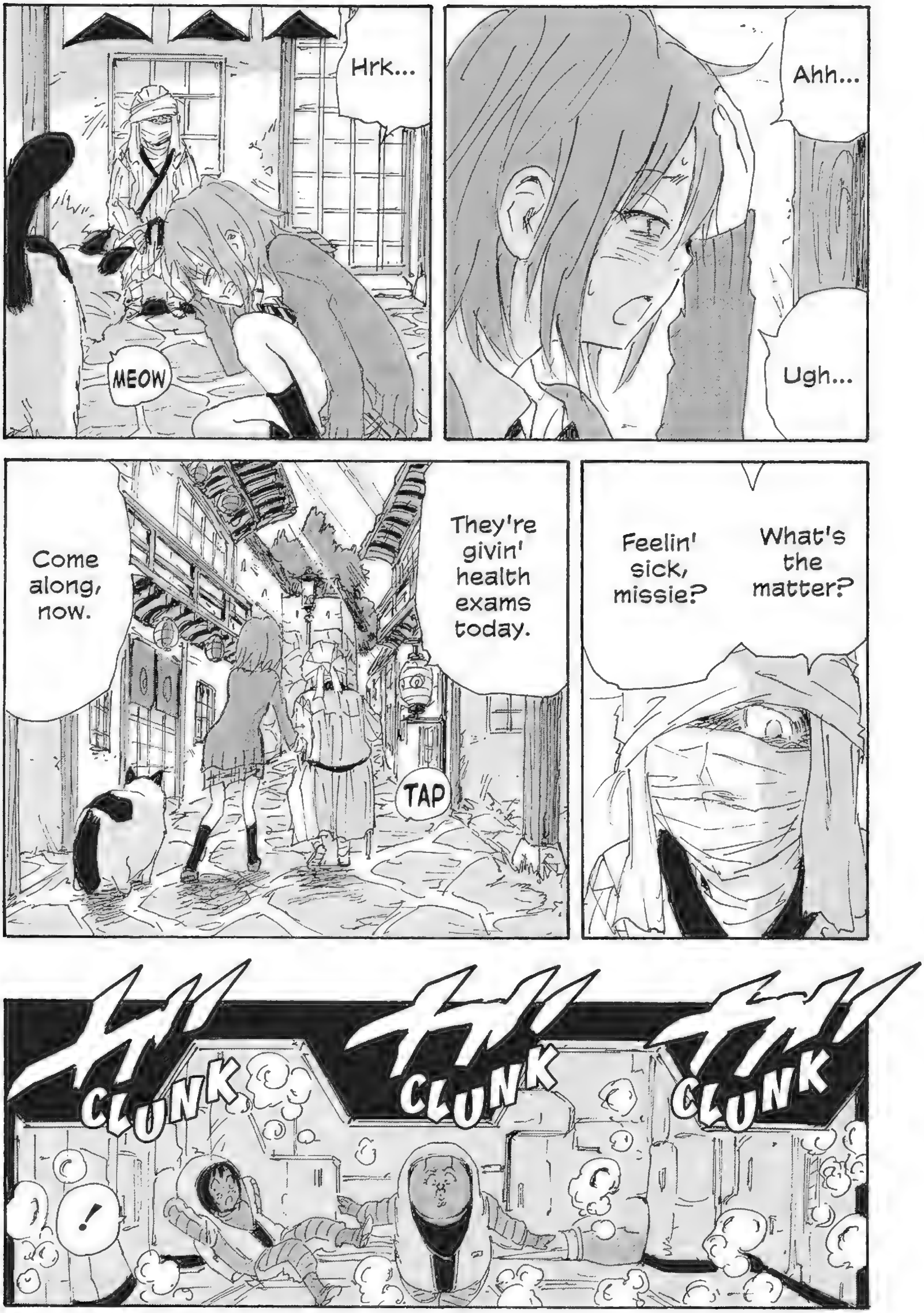

FSSSH
GLOP
HIC
HIC
FSSSH
FSSSH
999
Not good...
Blocking that crevice won't be enough to fix this!
FSSSH
This waterfall of pollution...
...will just end up flowing through other openings!
No ...
Where did all this water come from?!

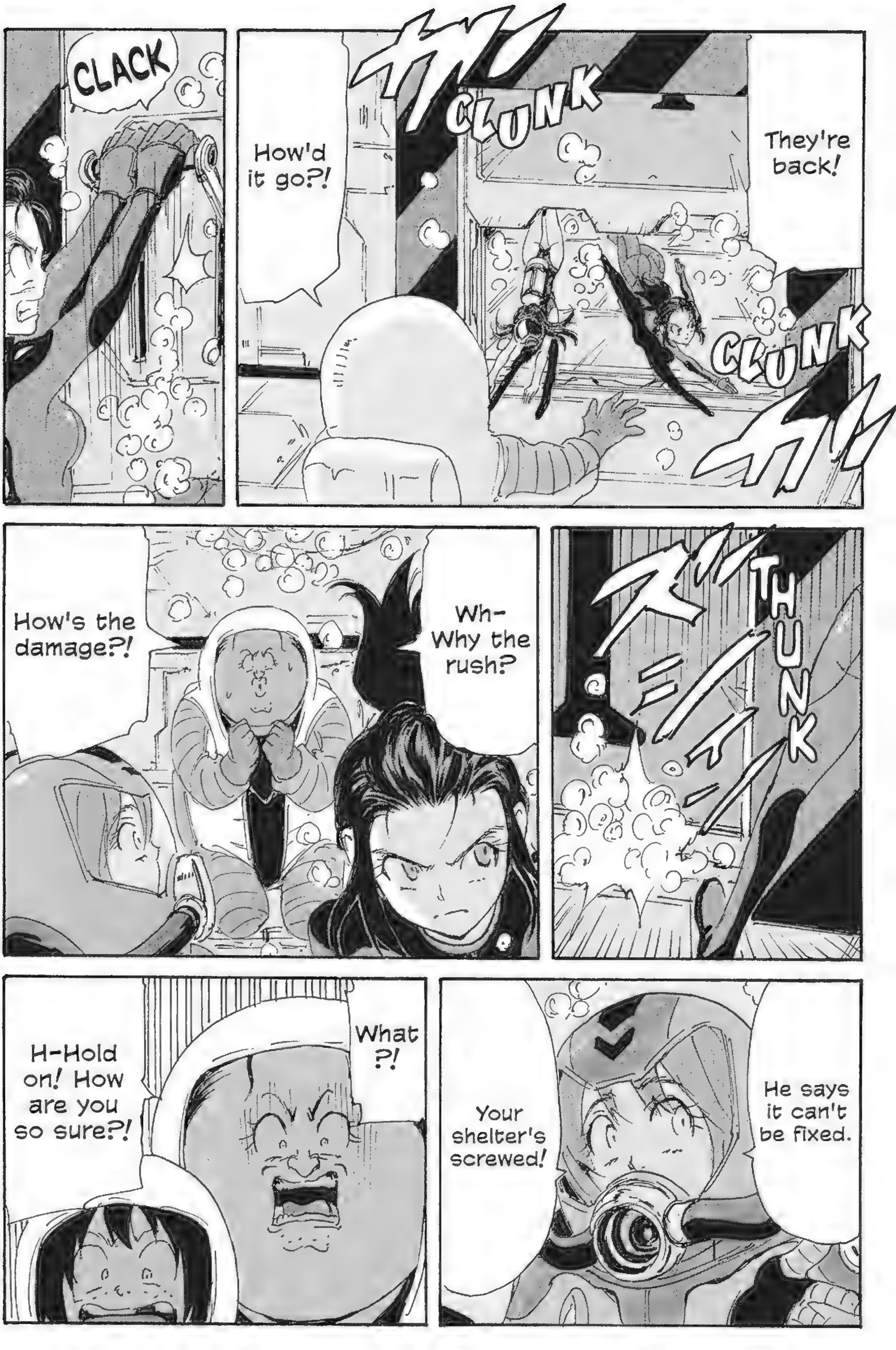

I don't know. But...
I do know this much:
It's too late to save Shelter 109.
FSSSH
Eventually, the entire shelter will fall to radiation.
P-73 END

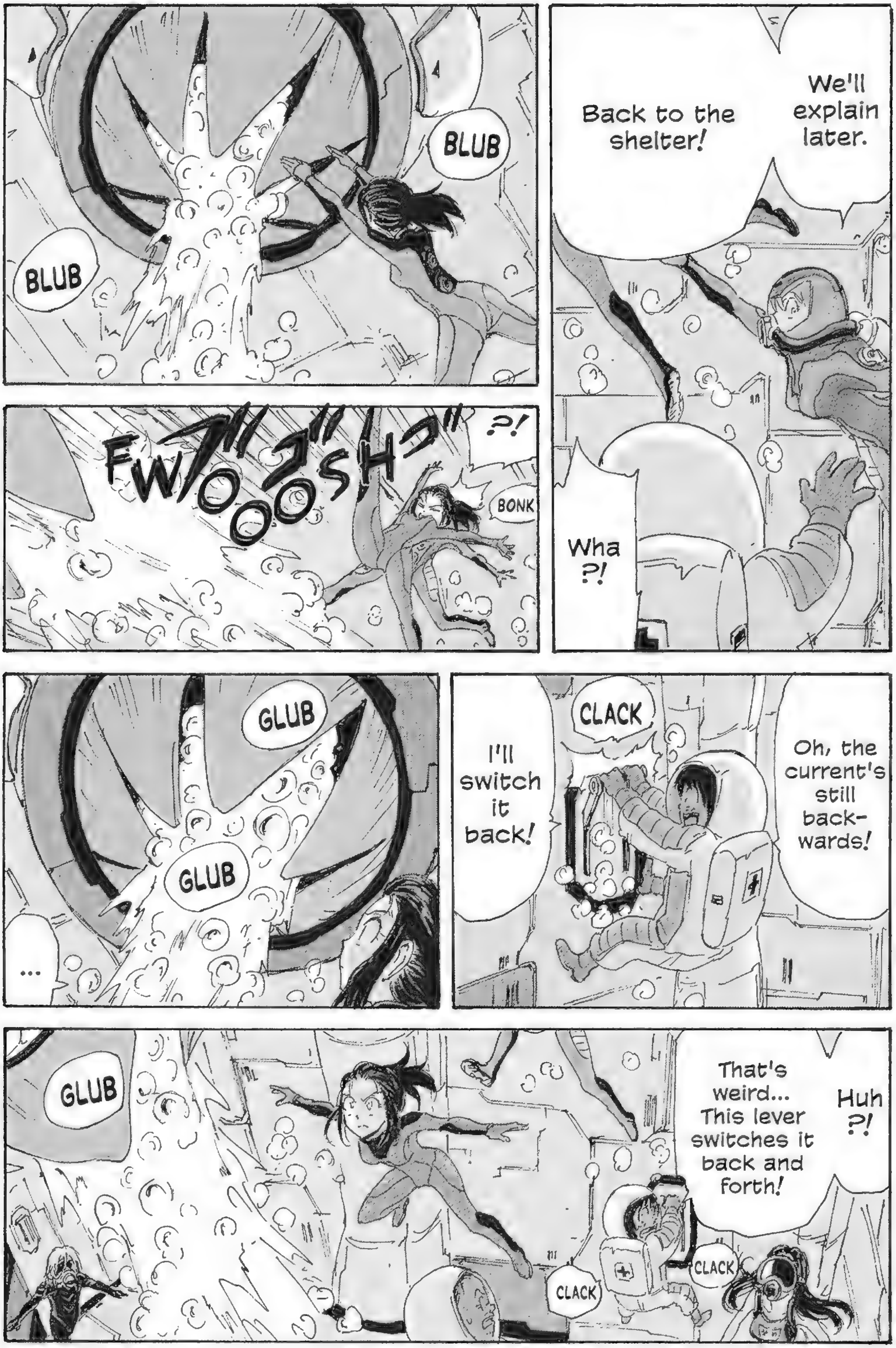
Phase.74 [Intruder in the Shelter]

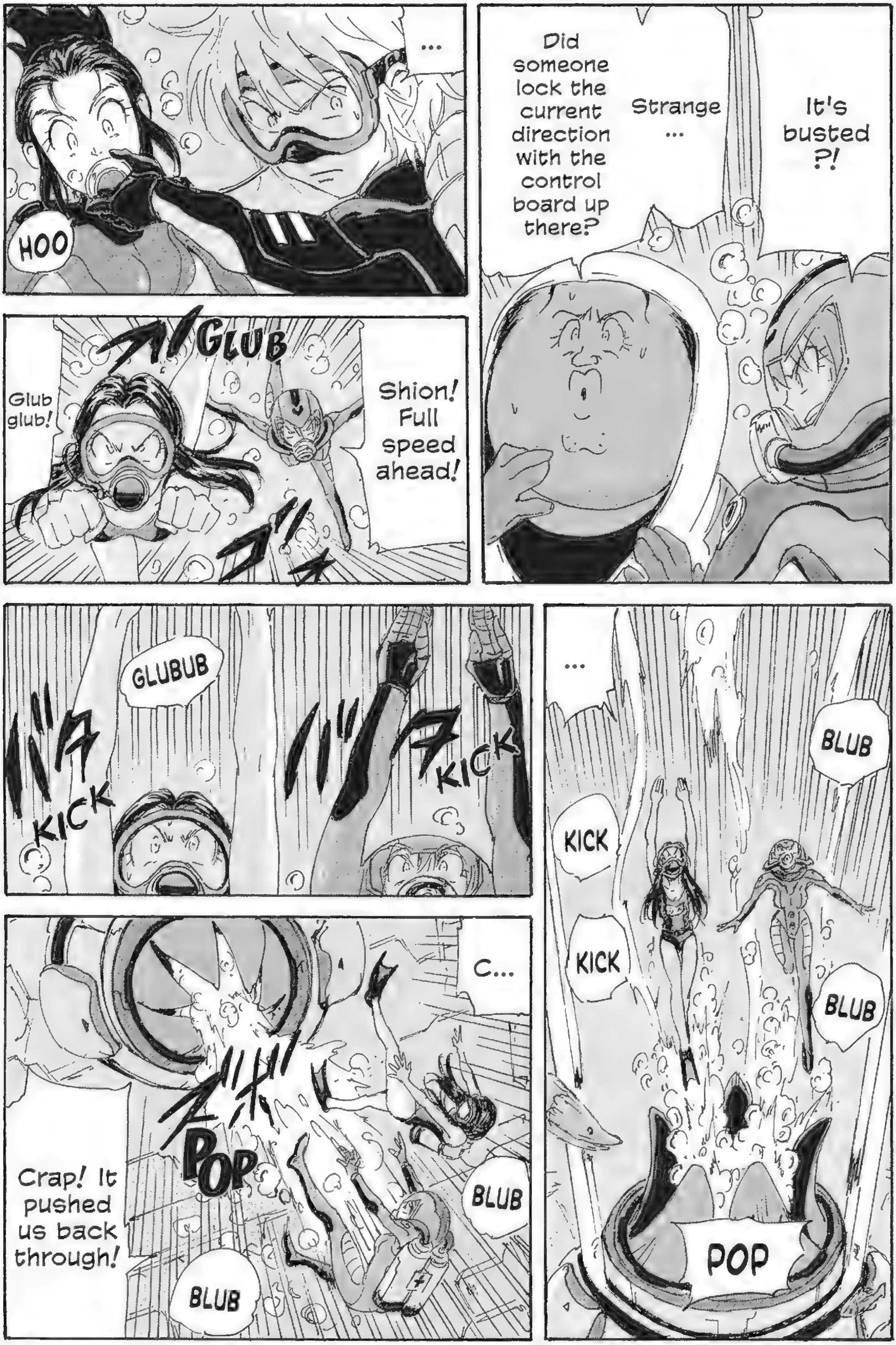

FSSSH
I can't say where this water is coming from...
But it's clearly polluted with high levels of radiation.
If stoppin' up the crevice won't help...
Then what are we supposed to do, Haruto?!
...
Unfortunately, we'll have to go back to square one.

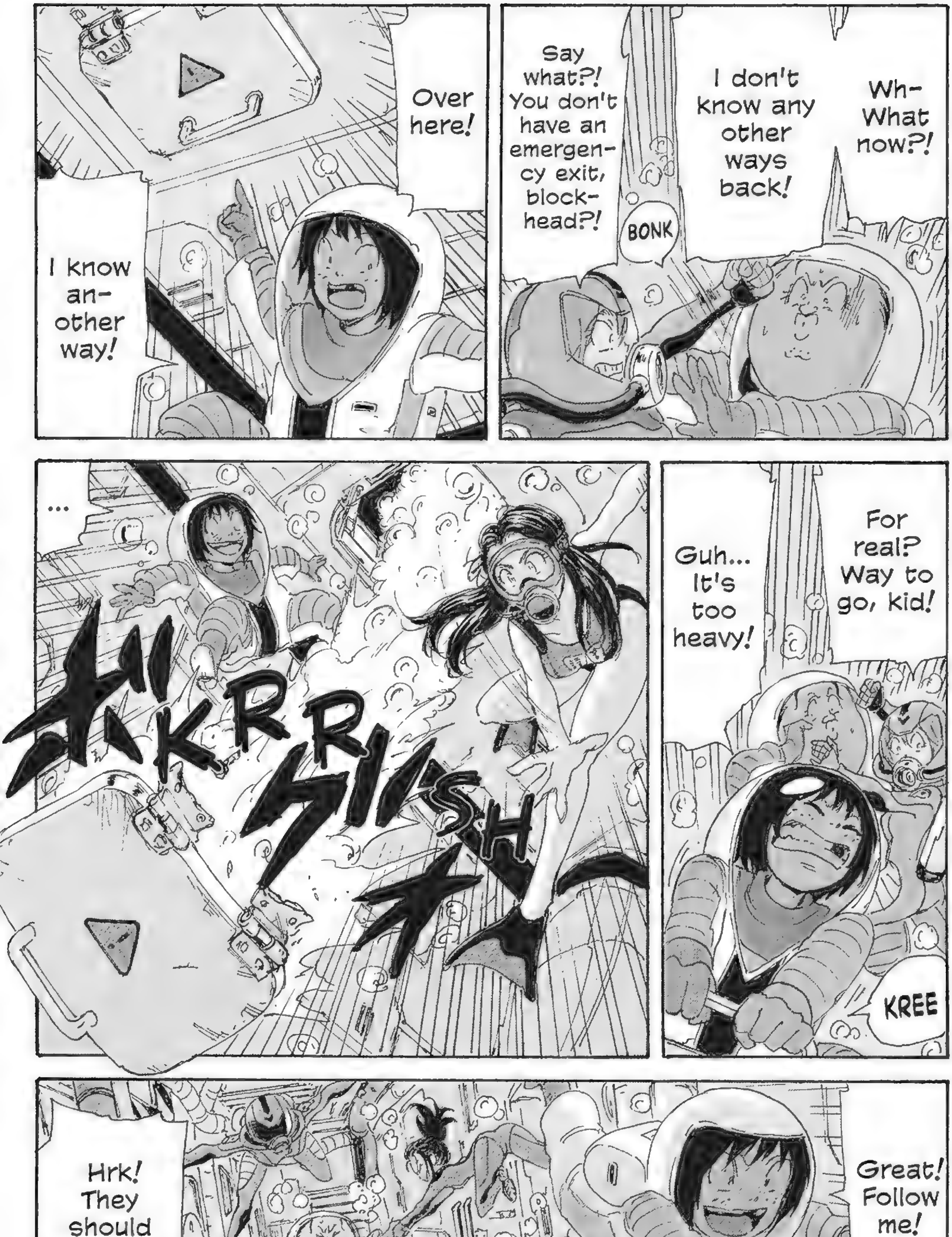

しぶや
めし
They'll have to abandon Shelter 109.
We need to return to the dome and formulate a plan to evacuate the survivors.

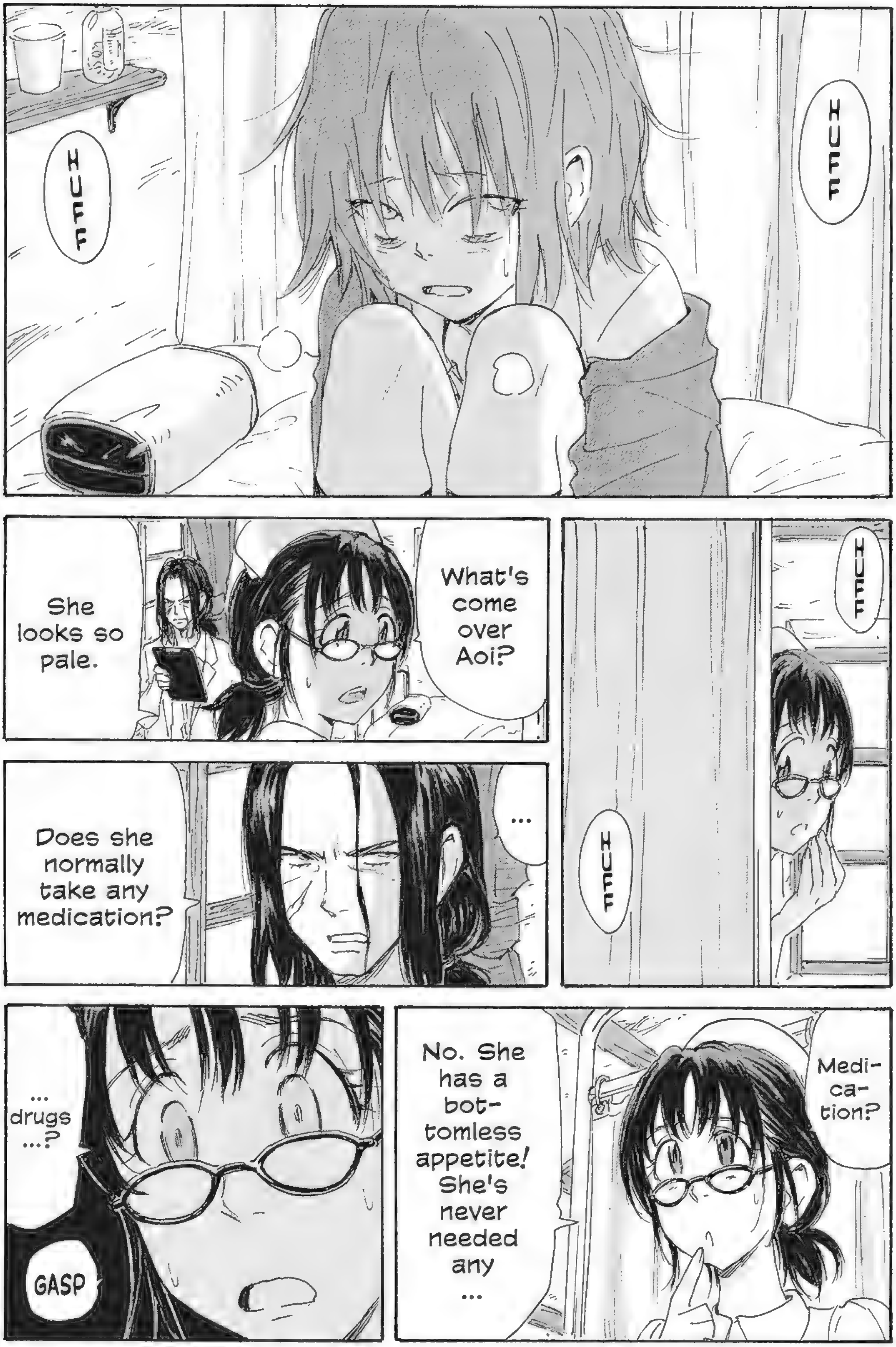

Ahh...
Ugh...
Hrk...
MEOW
What's the matter?
Feelin' sick, missie?
They're givin' health exams today.
Come along, now.
TAP
CLUNK
CLUNK
CLUNK
!

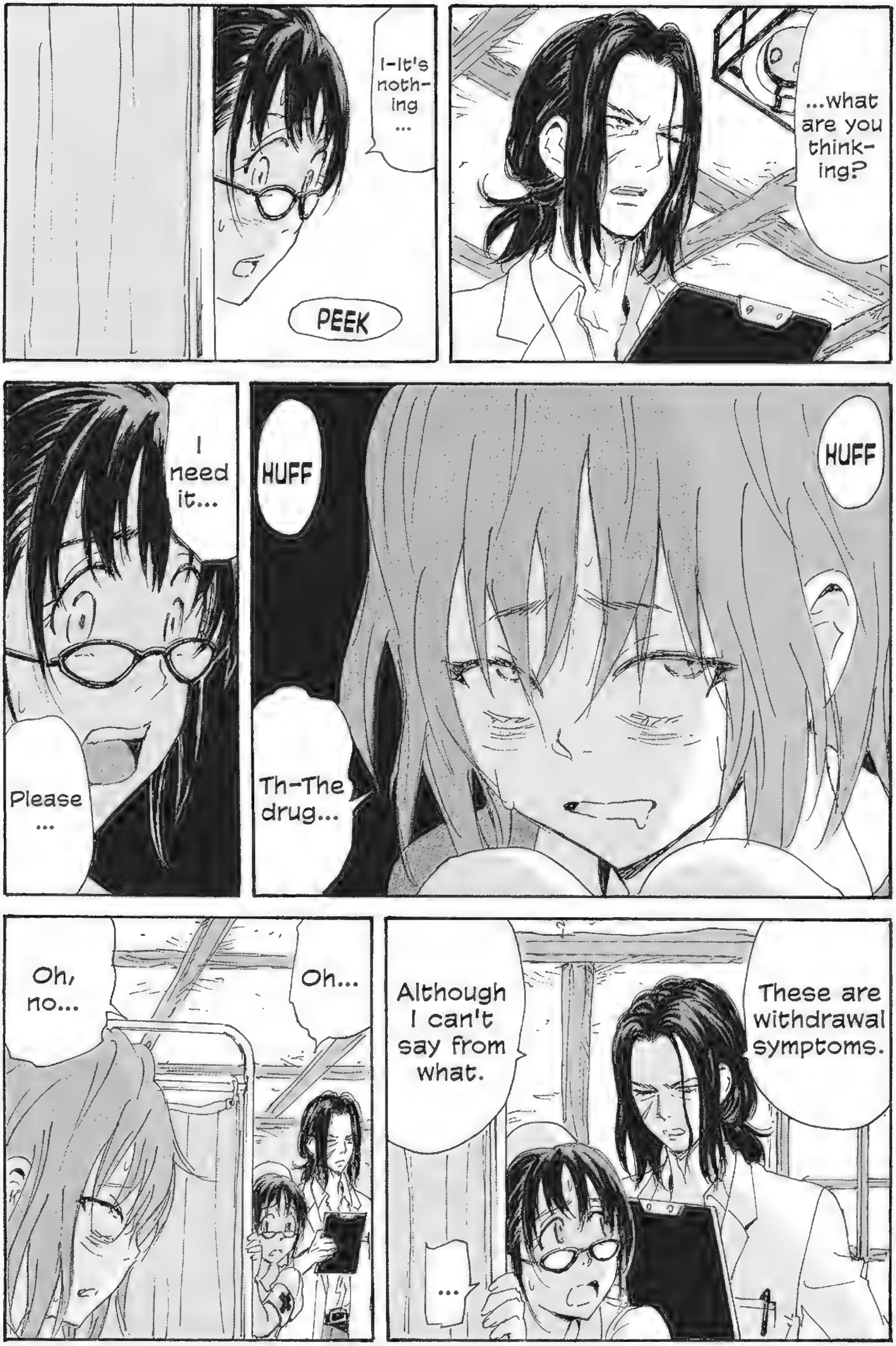

They're back!
How'd it go?!
CLUNK
CLUNK
CLACK
THUNK
Wh- Why the rush?
How's the damage?!
He says it can't be fixed.
Your shelter's screwed!
What?!
H-Hold on! How are you so sure?!

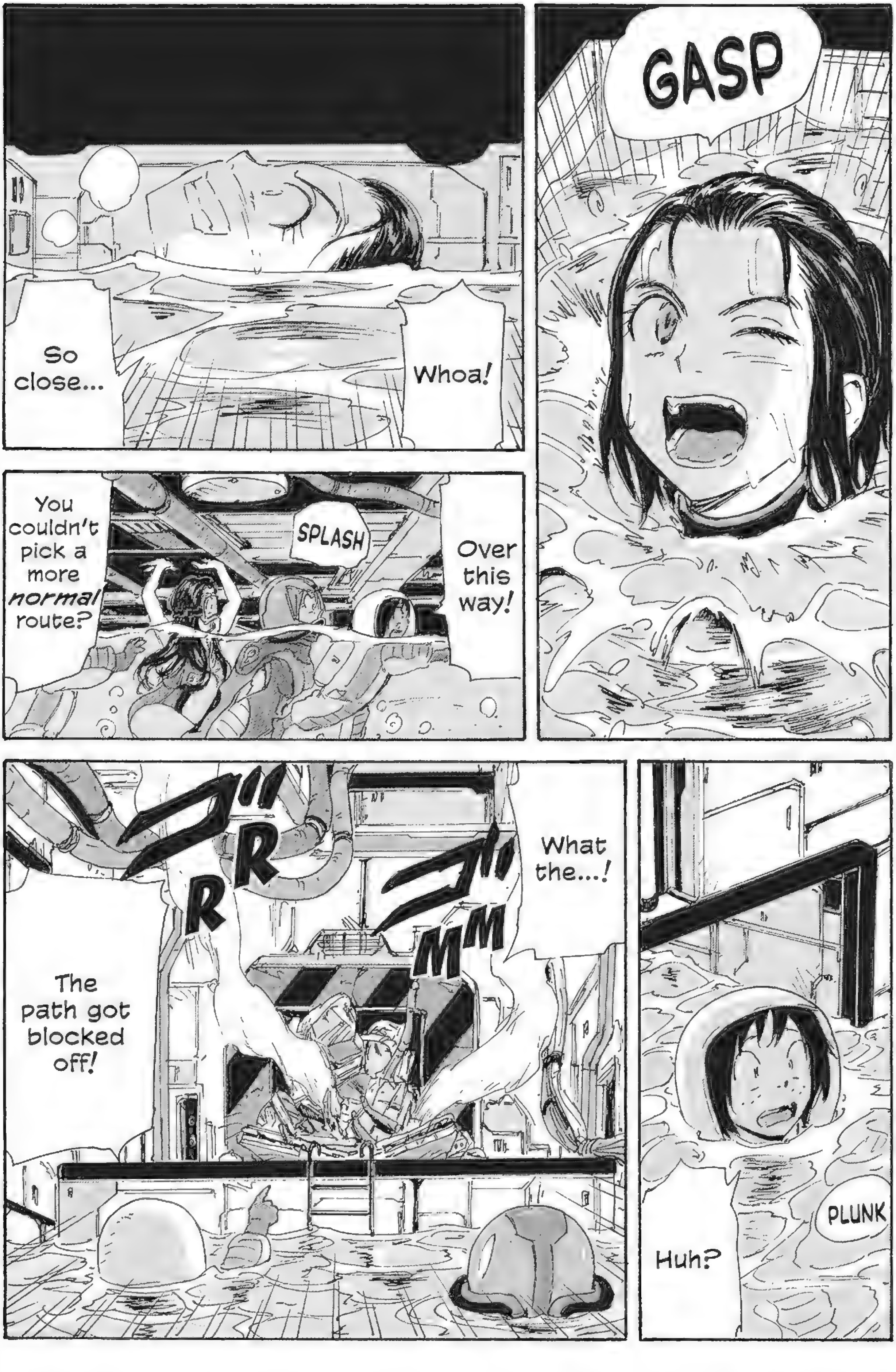

We'll explain later.
Back to the shelter!
Wha ?!
BLUB
BLUB
?!
BONK
FWOOOOSH
Oh, the current's still backwards!
CLACK
I'll switch it back!
GLUB
GLUB
...
Huh ?!
That's weird... This lever switches it back and forth!
CLACK
CLACK
GLUB

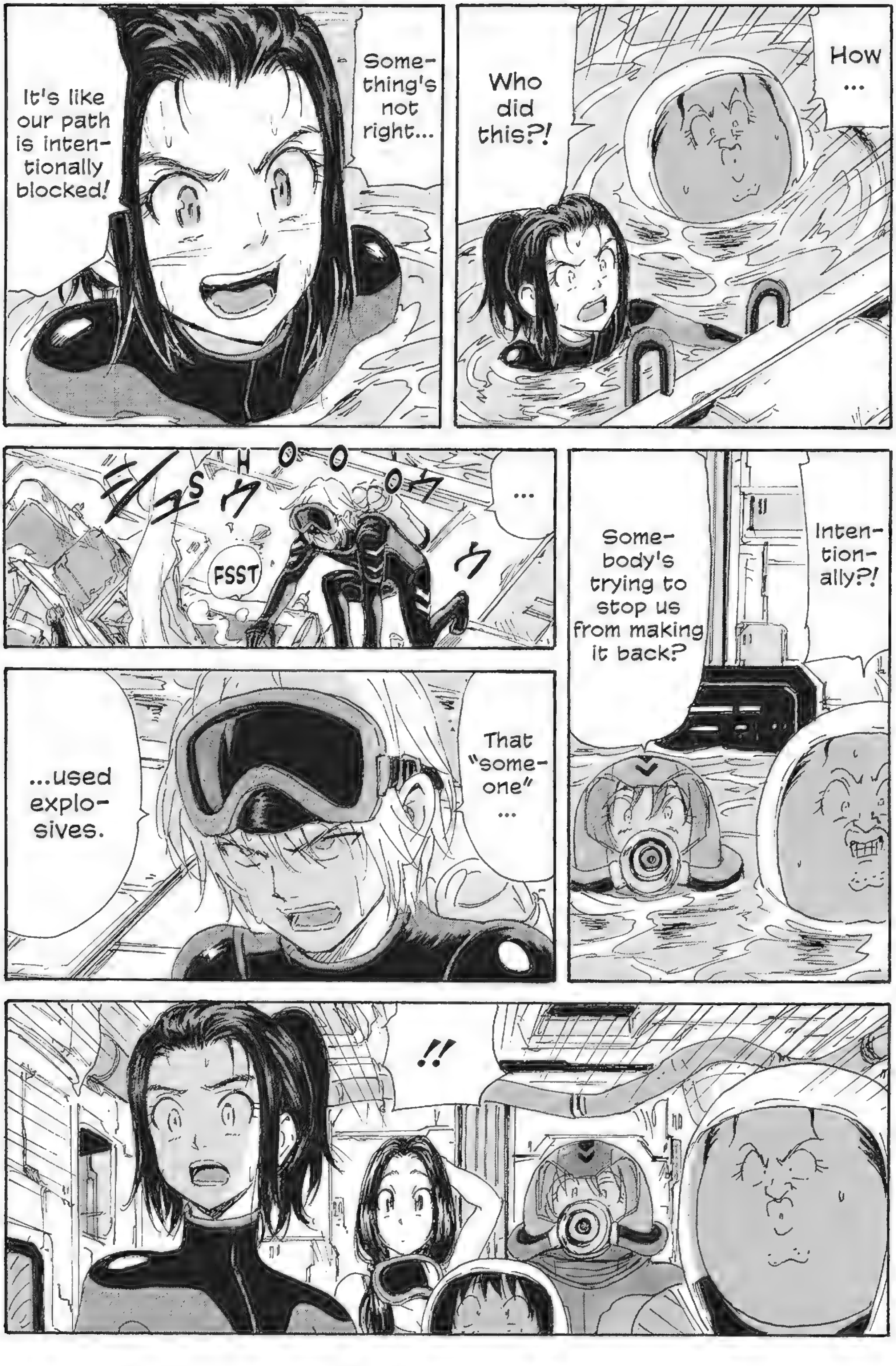

It's busted?!
Strange...
Did someone lock the current direction with the control board up there?
...
HOO
Shion! Full speed ahead!
GLUB
Glub glub!
...
BLUB
KICK
KICK
BLUB
POP
KICK
GLUBUB
KICK
C...
BLUB
POP
Crap! It pushed us back through!
BLUB

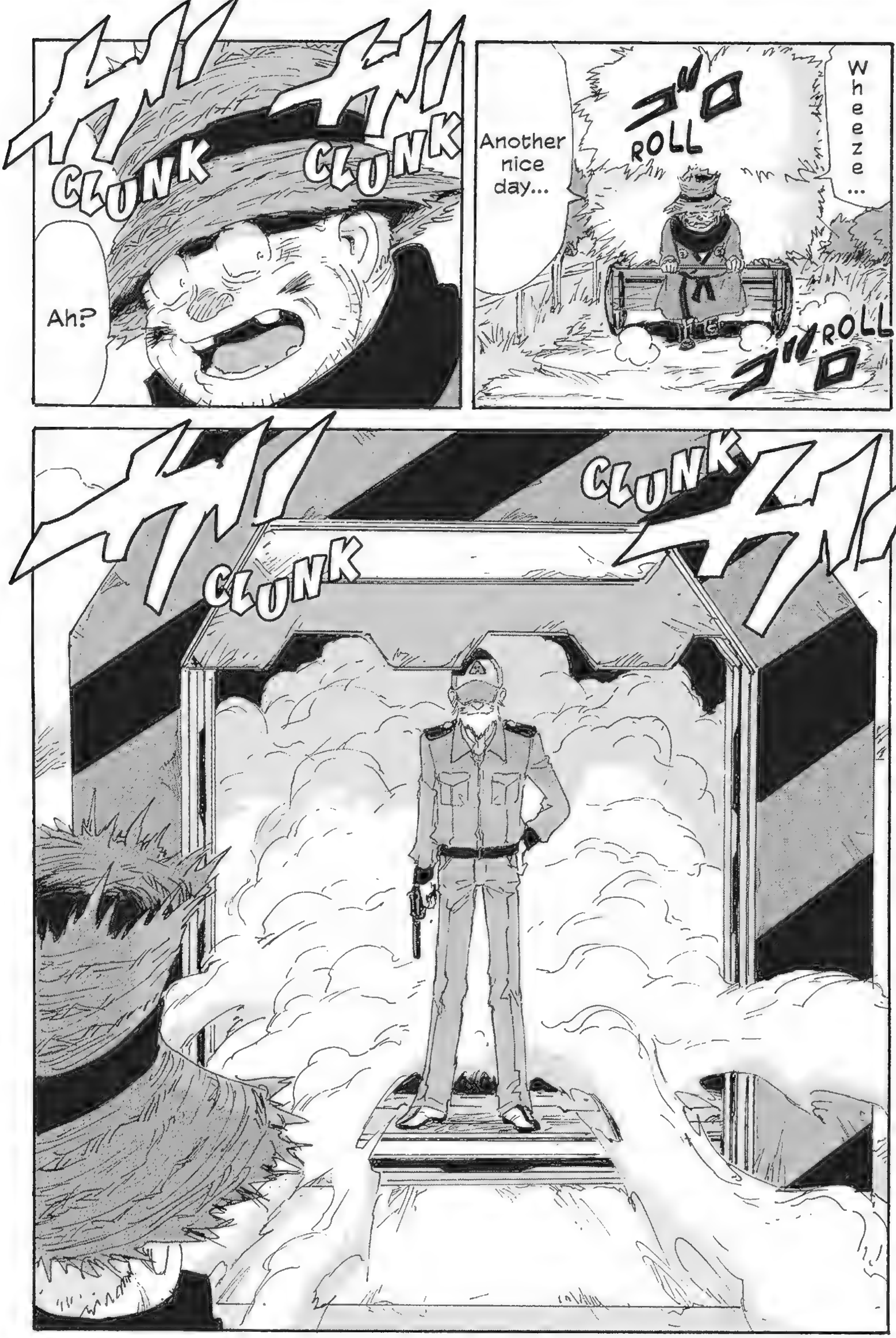

Wh- What now?!
I don't know any other ways back!
BONK
Say what?! You don't have an emergency exit, blockhead?!
Over here!
I know another way!
For real? Way to go, kid!
Guh... It's too heavy!
KREE
...
KRRISH
Great! Follow me!
SQUEEZE
Hrk! They should have accounted for people of size!

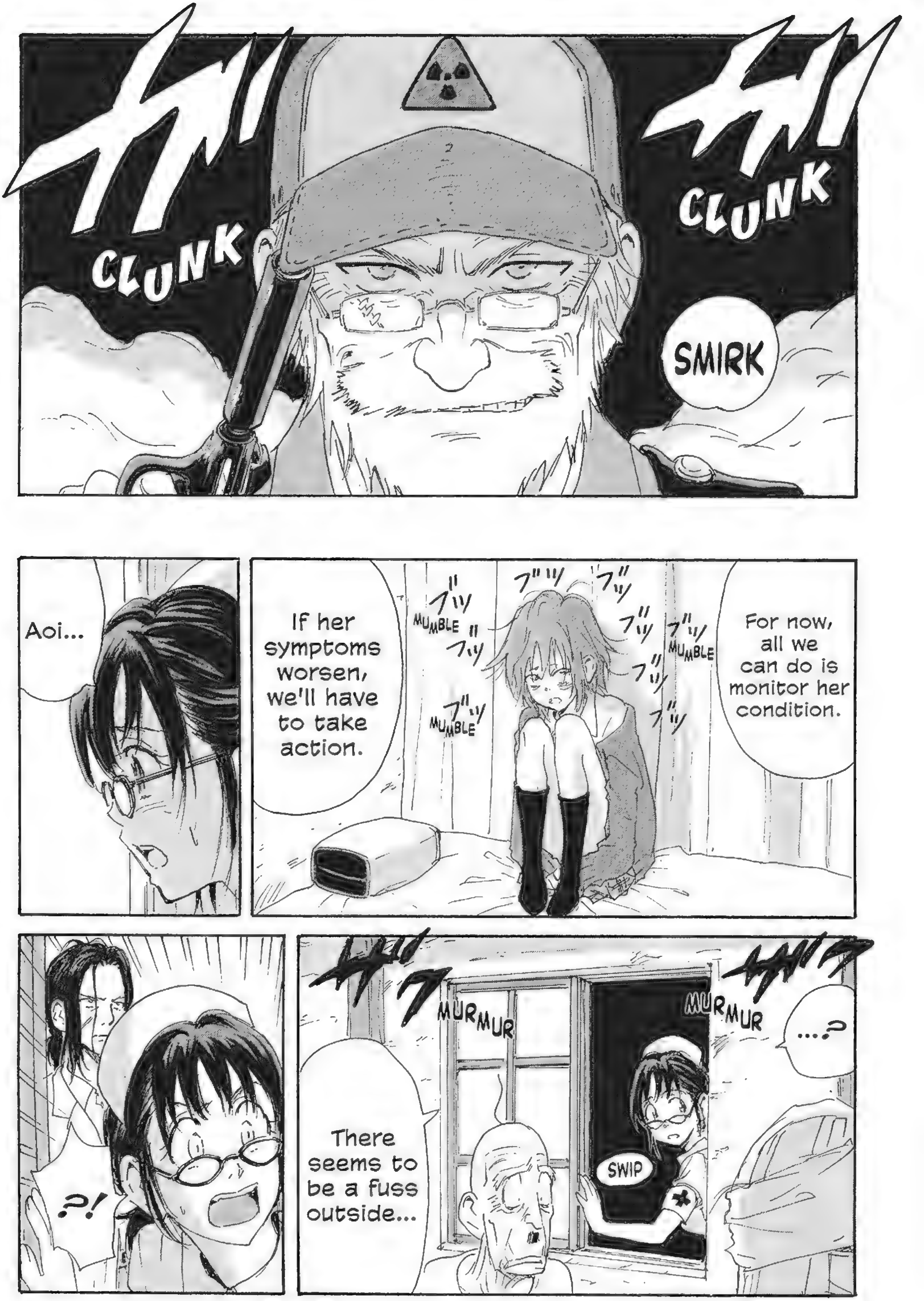

HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
What's come over Aoi?
She looks so pale.
...
Does she normally take any medication?
Medication?
No. She has a bottomless appetite! She's never needed any ...
... drugs ...?
GASP

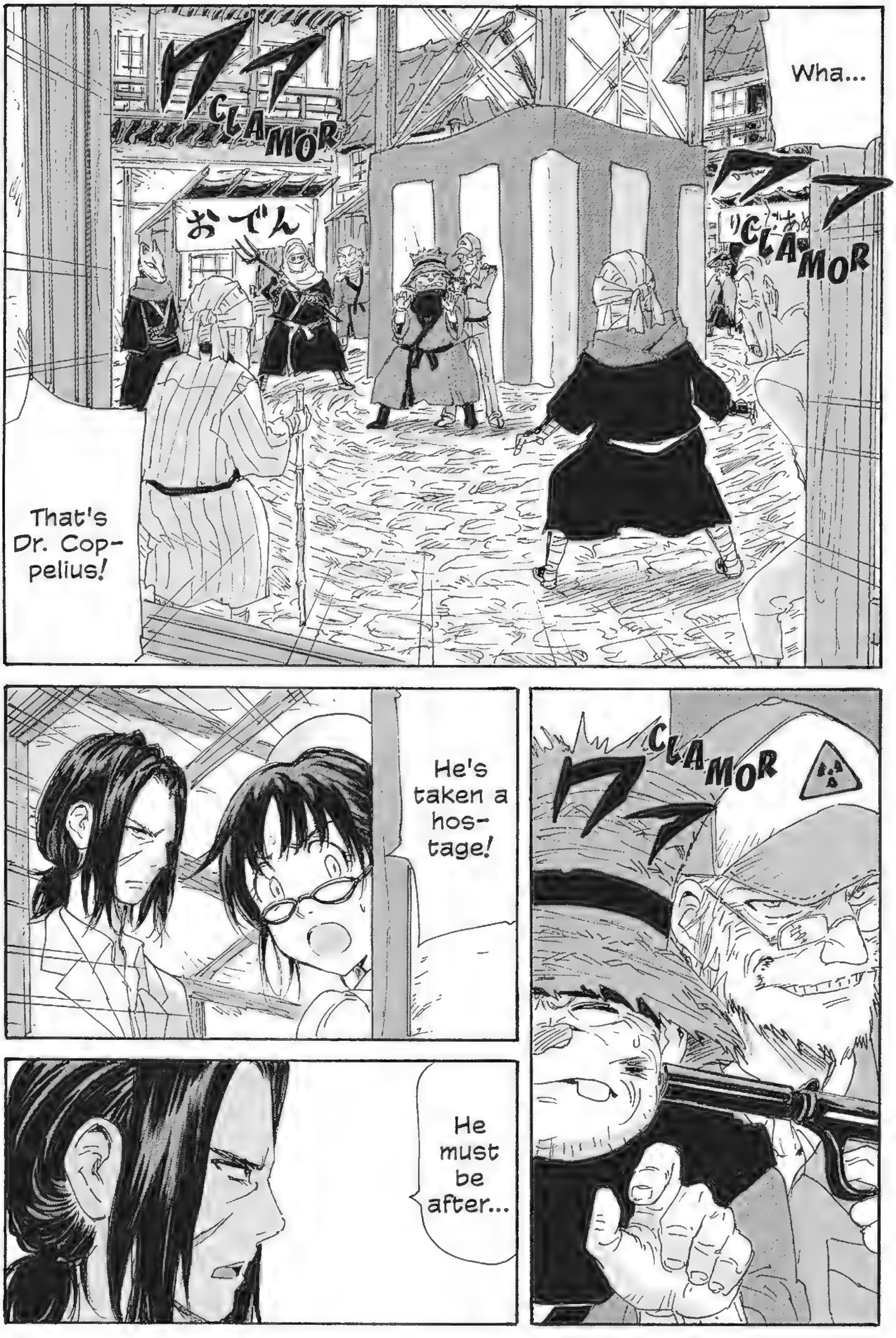

...what are you thinking?
I-It's nothing...
PEEK
HUFF
HUFF
Th-The drug...
I need it...
Please...
These are withdrawal symptoms.
Although I can't say from what.
...
Oh...
Oh, no...

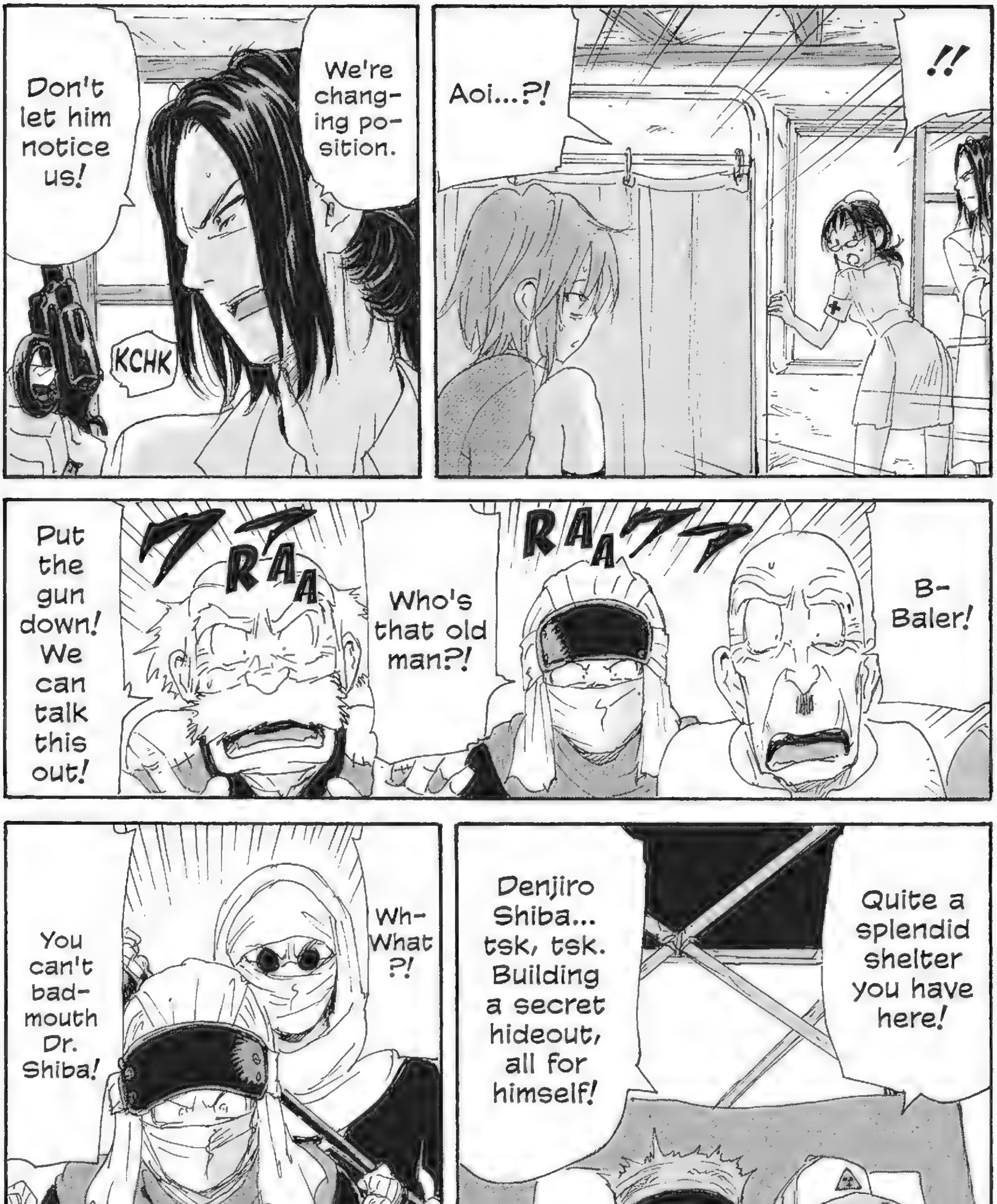

So close...
Whoa!
GASP
Over this way!
SPLASH
You couldn't pick a more *normal* route?
What the...!
RRRMMM
The path got blocked off!
PLUNK
Huh?

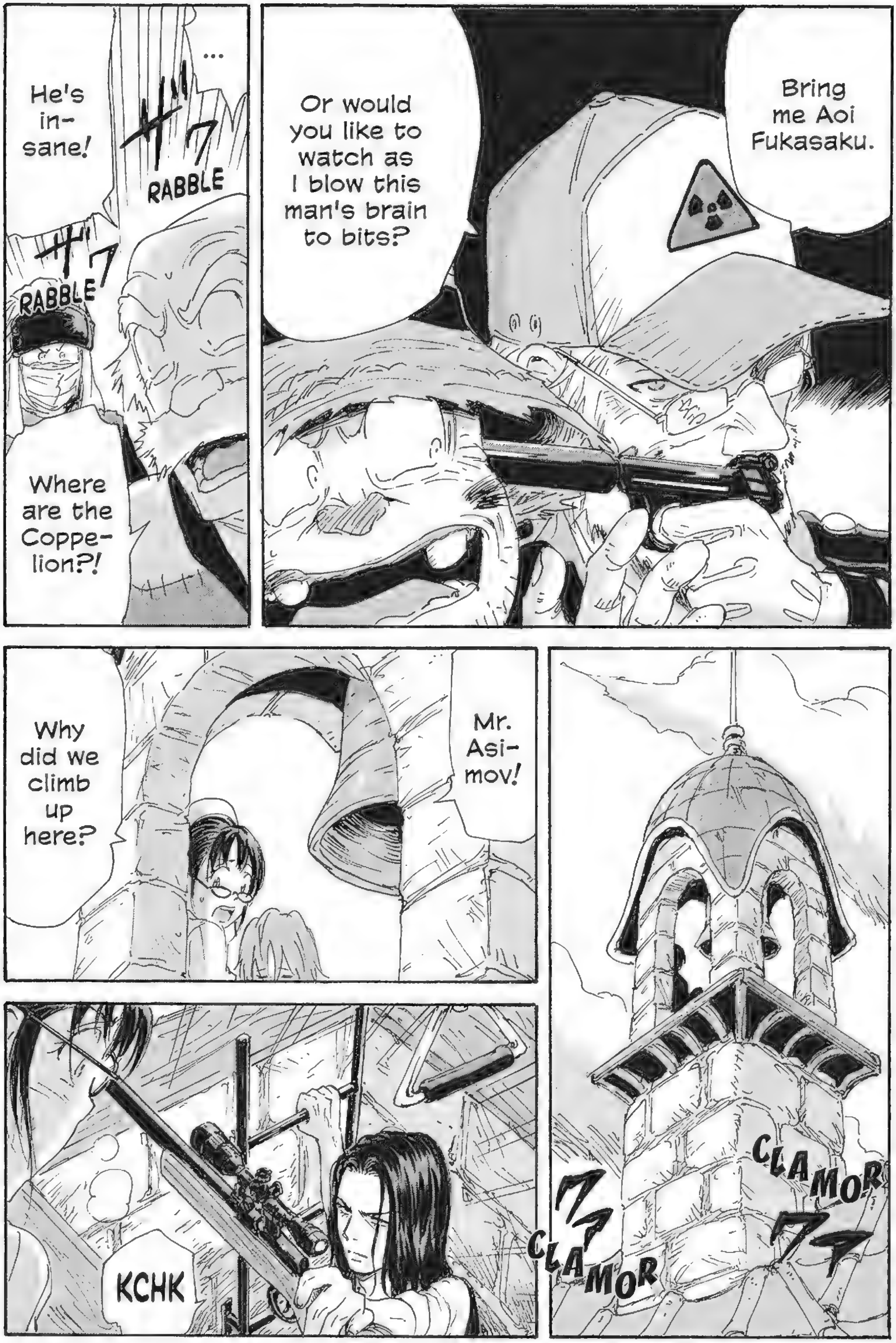

How ...
Who did this?!
Something's not right...
It's like our path is intentionally blocked!
Intentionally?!
Somebody's trying to stop us from making it back?
...
シュウウウ
SHOOOO
FSST
That "someone" ...
...used explosives.
!!

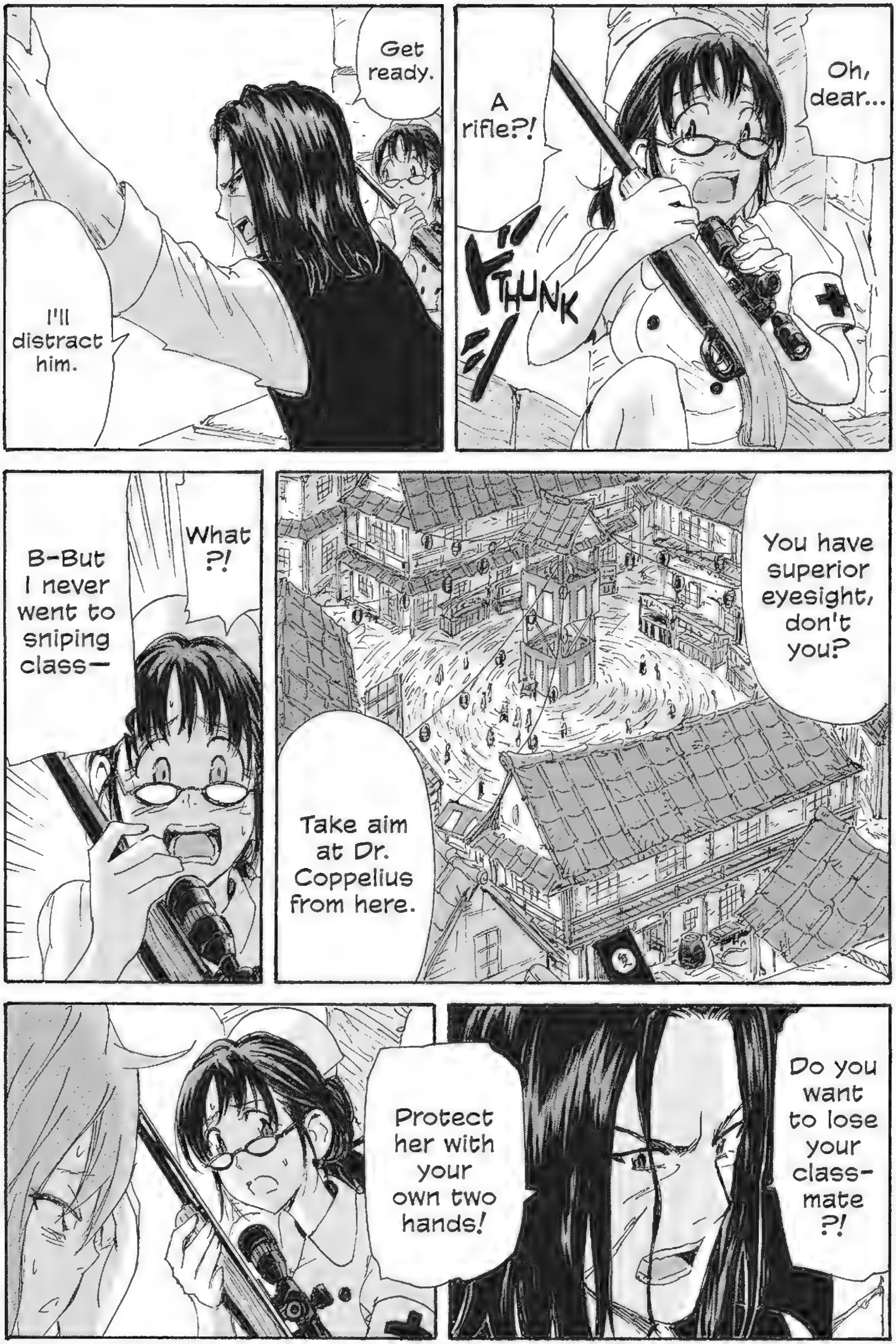

Wheeze...
ゴロ ROLL
ゴロ ROLL
Another nice day...
CLUNK
CLUNK
Ah?
CLUNK
CLUNK

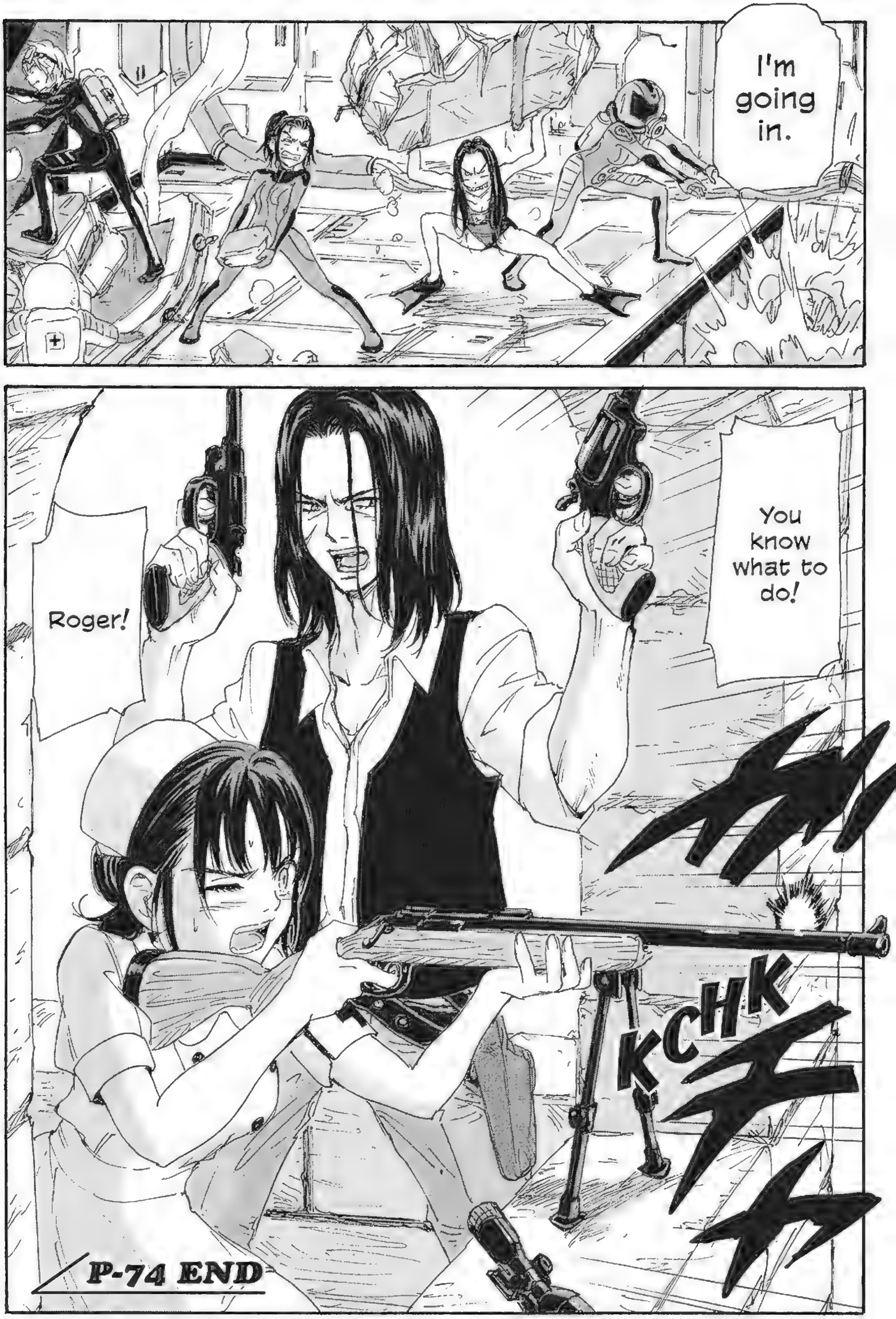

CLUNK
SMIRK
CLUNK
For now, all we can do is monitor her condition.
ブツ
MUMBLE
ブツ
MUMBLE
ブツ
MUMBLE
If her symptoms worsen, we'll have to take action.
Aoi...
...?
MURMUR
SWIP
There seems to be a fuss outside...
MURMUR
?!


Wha...
ワァ
CLAMOR
ワァ
CLAMOR
おでん
That's Dr. Coppelius!
ワァ
CLAMOR
He's taken a hostage!
He must be after...

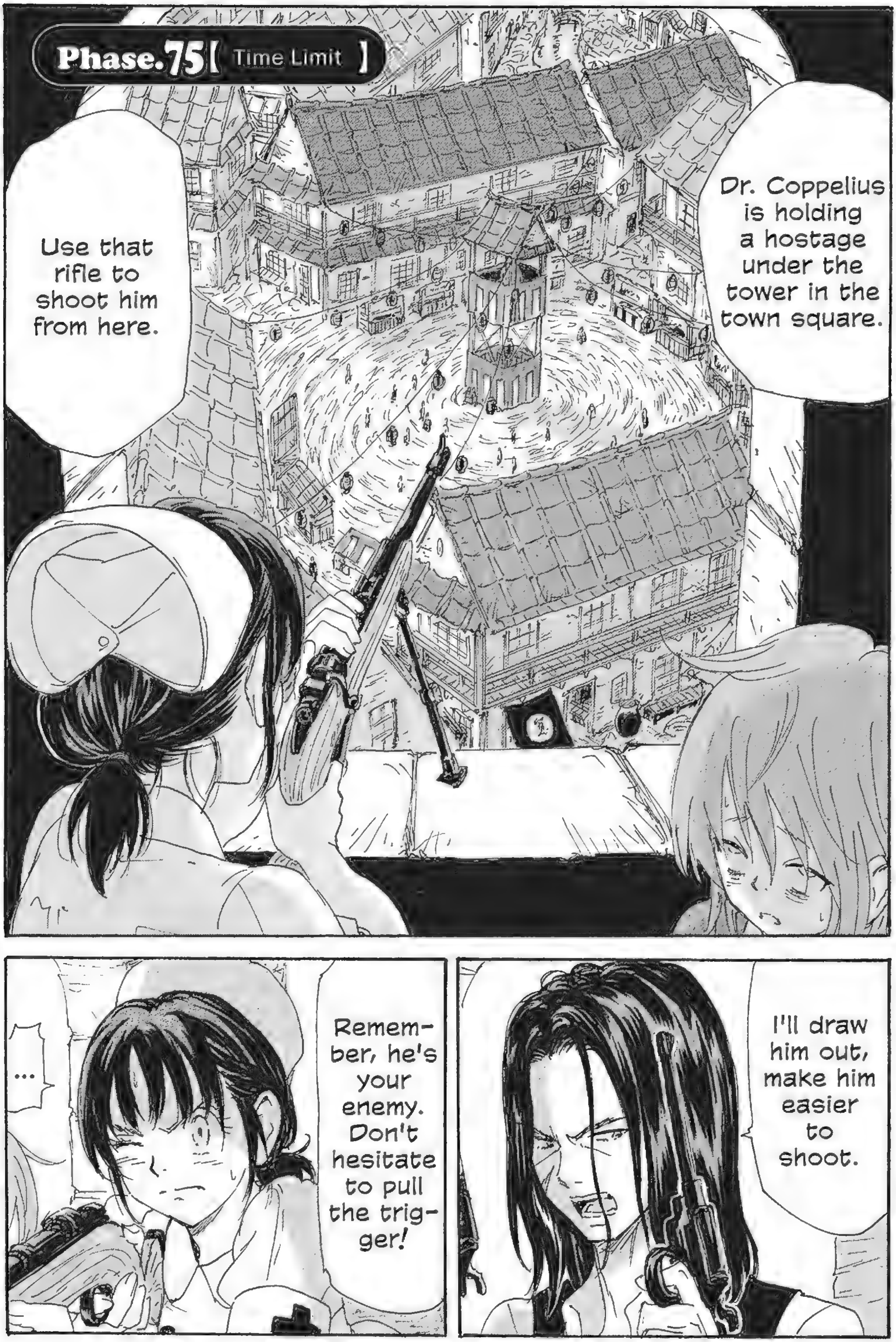

Aoi...?!
!!
We're changing position.
Don't let him notice us!
KCHK
B-Baler!
RAAワァァ
Who's that old man?!
ワァァRAA
Put the gun down! We can talk this out!
Quite a splendid shelter you have here!
Denjiro Shiba... tsk, tsk. Building a secret hideout, all for himself!
Wh-What?!
You can't badmouth Dr. Shiba!
!
ワAHH!
KCHK

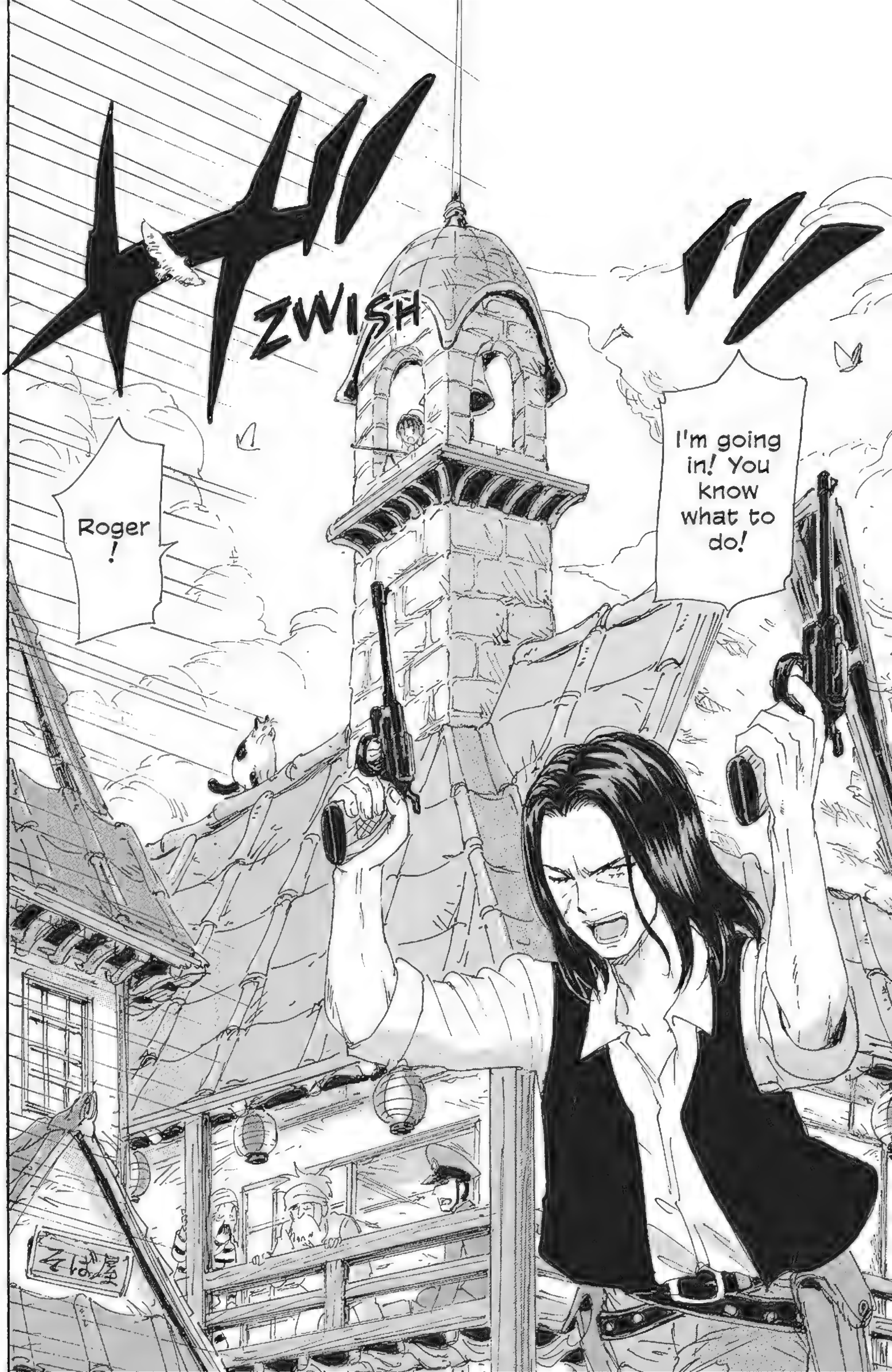

Bring me Aoi Fukasaku.
Or would you like to watch as I blow this man's brain to bits?
...
He's insane!
ザワ
RABBLE
ザワ
RABBLE
Where are the Coppelion?!
CLAMOR
CLAMOR
Mr. Asimov!
Why did we climb up here?
KCHK

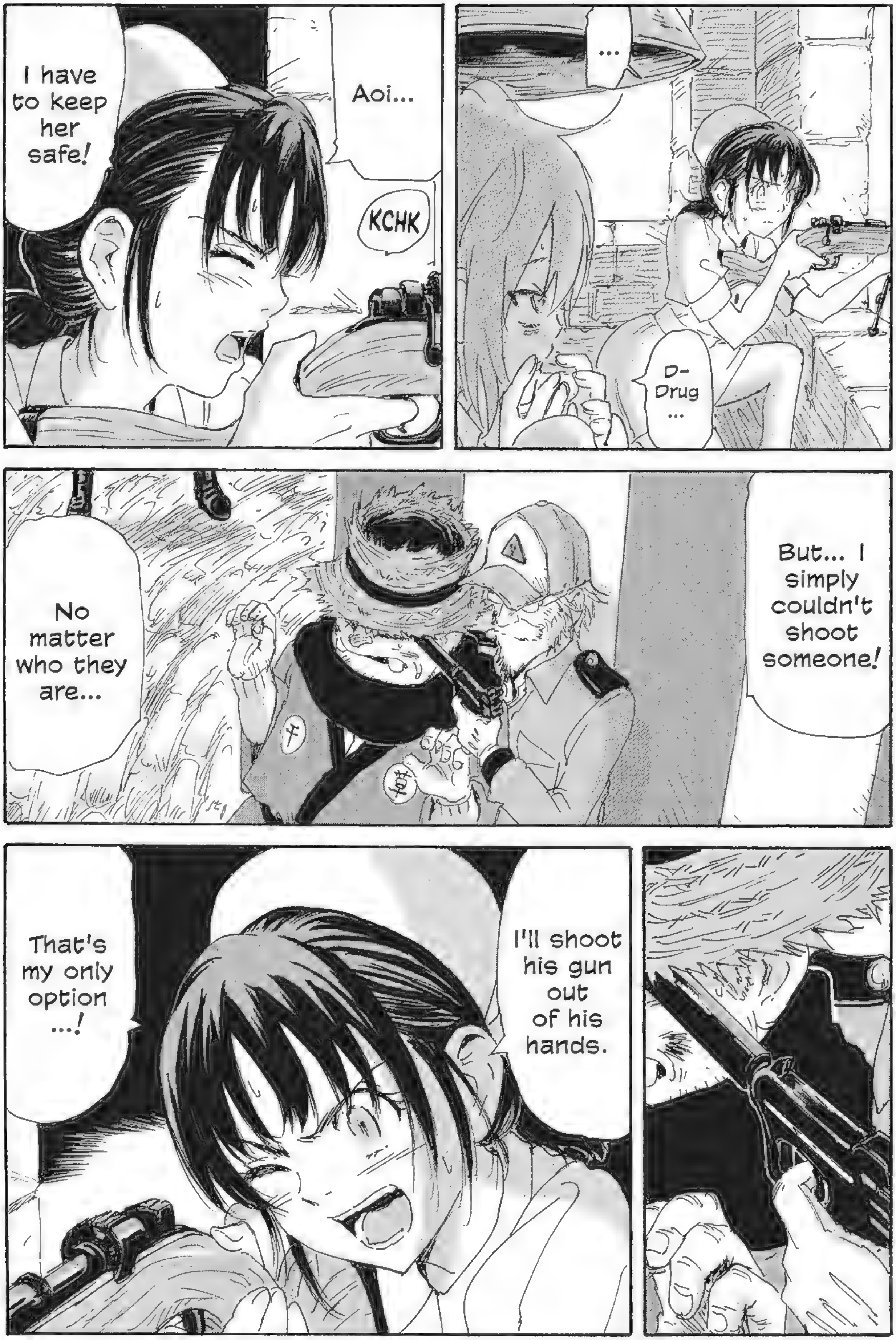

Oh, dear...
A rifle?!
THUNK
Get ready.
I'll distract him.
You have superior eyesight, don't you?
Take aim at Dr. Coppelius from here.
What?!
B-But I never went to sniping class—
Do you want to lose your class-mate?!
Protect her with your own two hands!

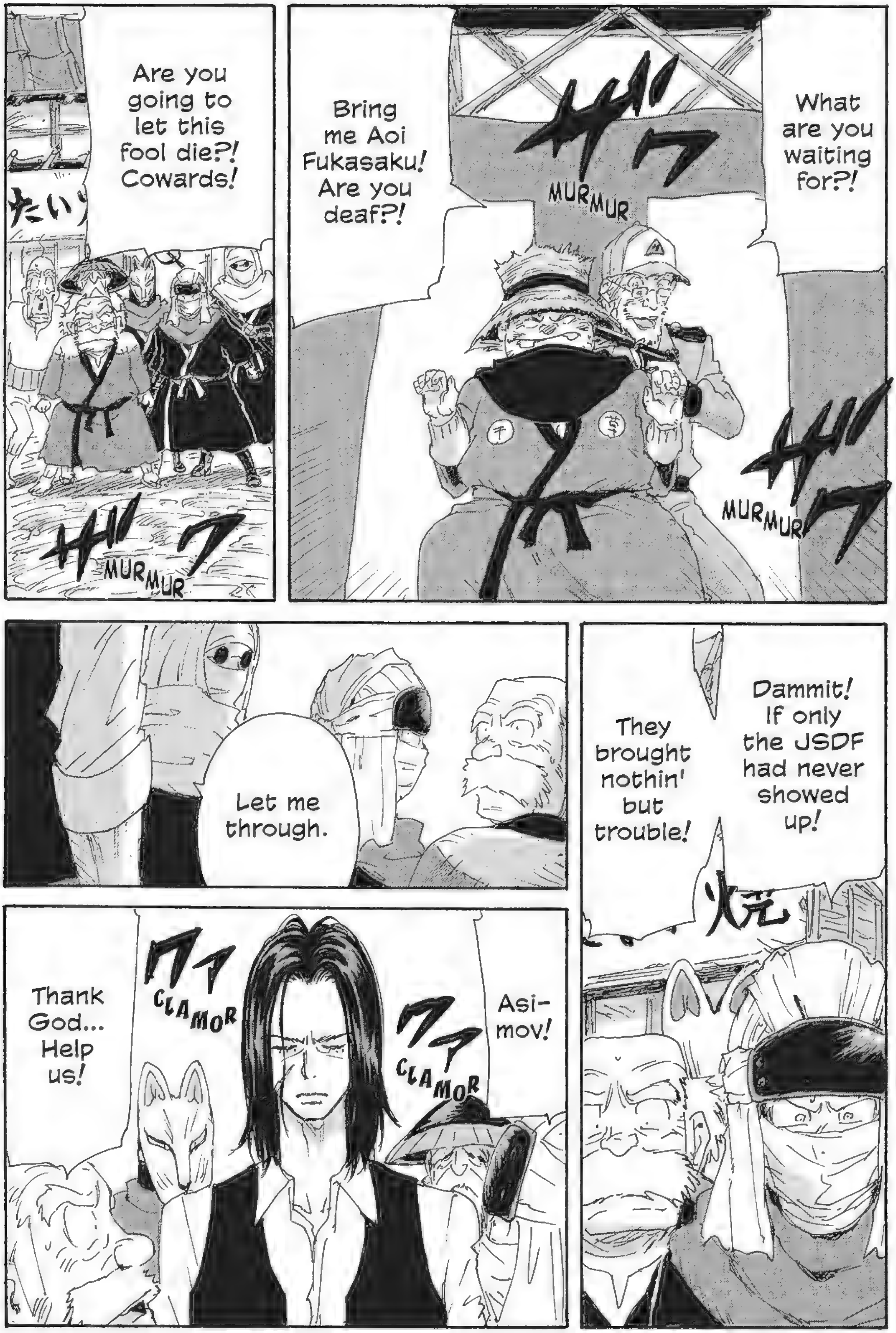

I'm going in.
You know what to do!
Roger!
KCHK
P-74 END

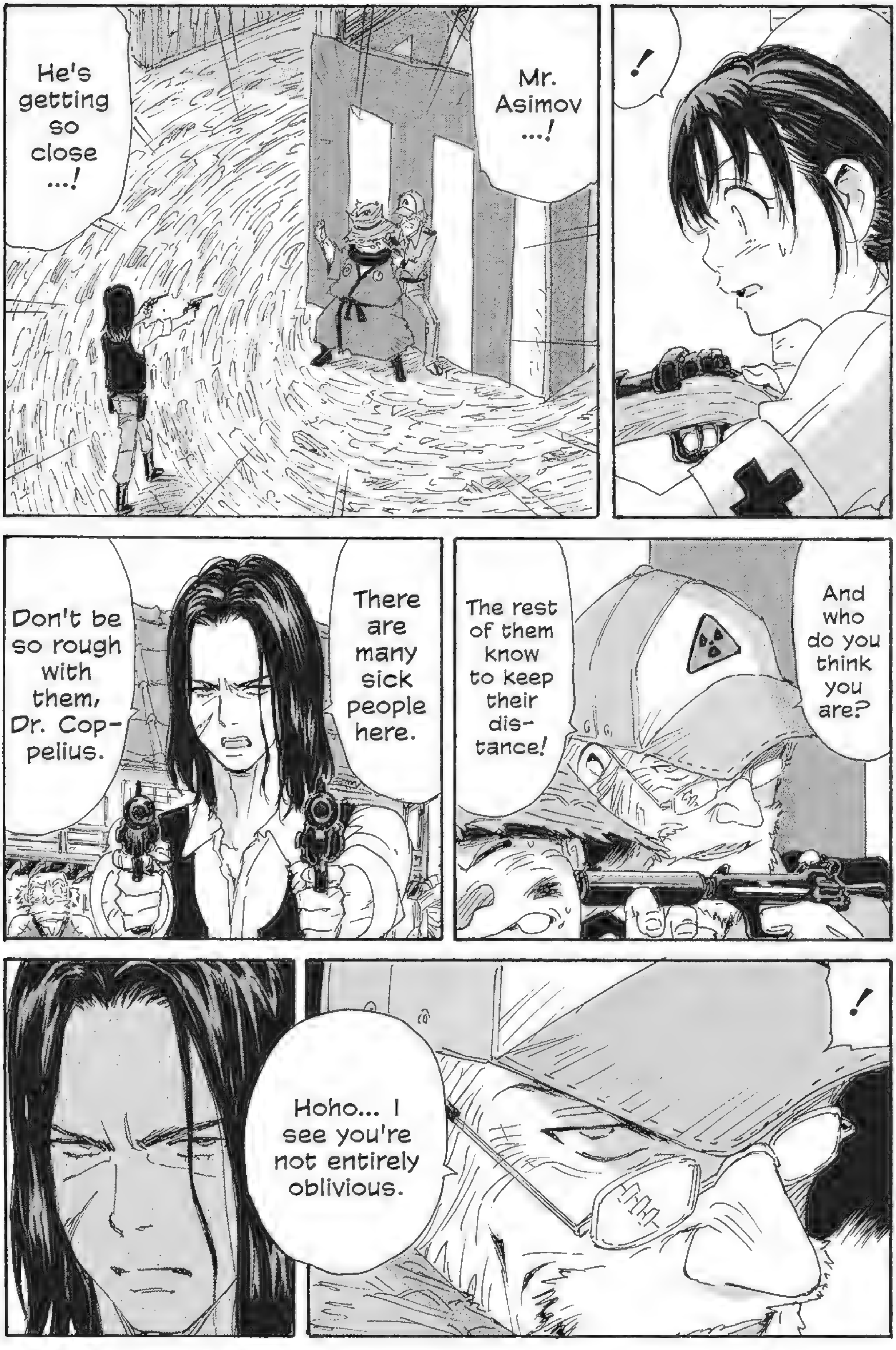
Phase.75 [Time Limit]

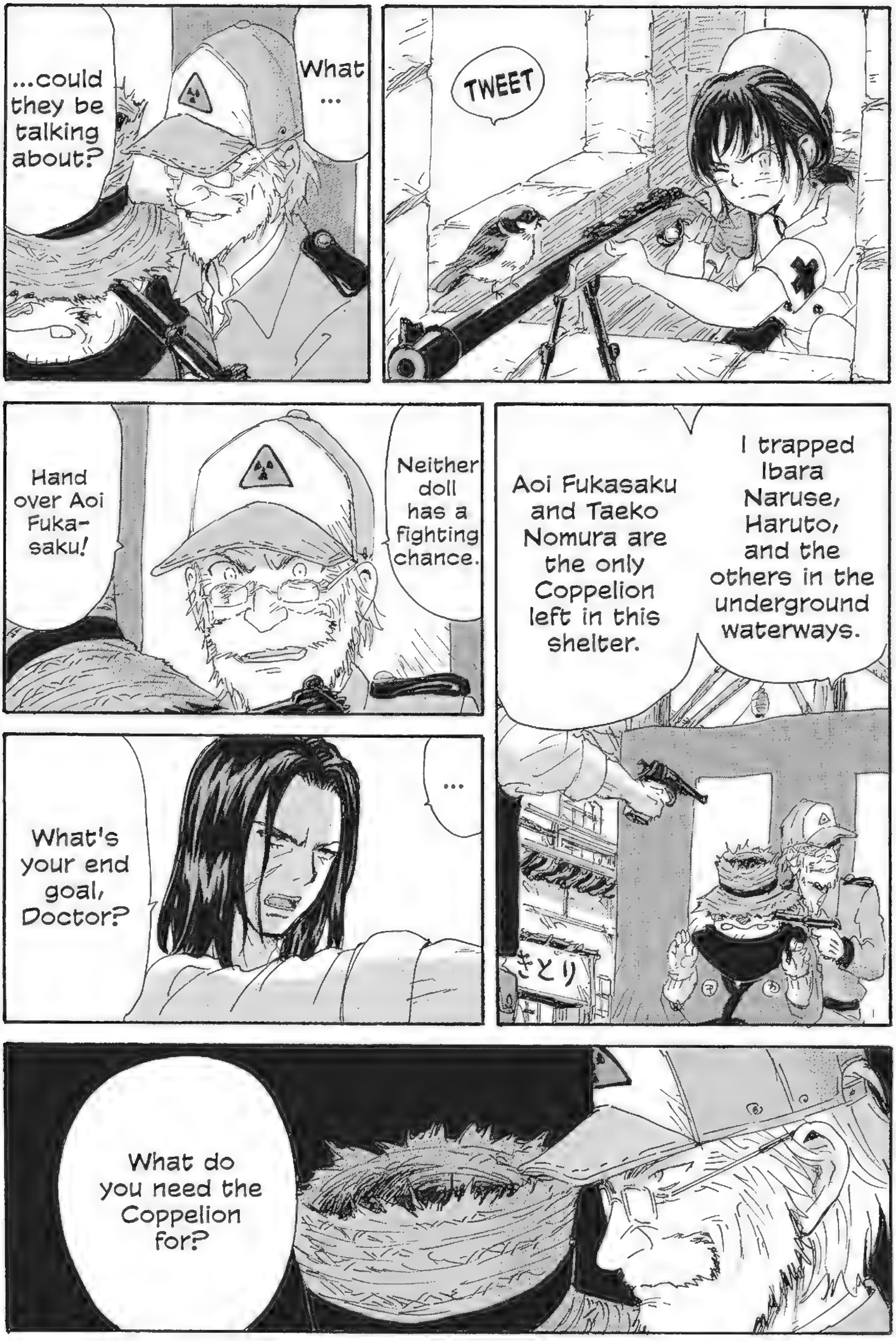

Dr. Coppelius is holding a hostage under the tower in the town square.
Use that rifle to shoot him from here.
I'll draw him out, make him easier to shoot.
Remember, he's your enemy. Don't hesitate to pull the trigger!
...

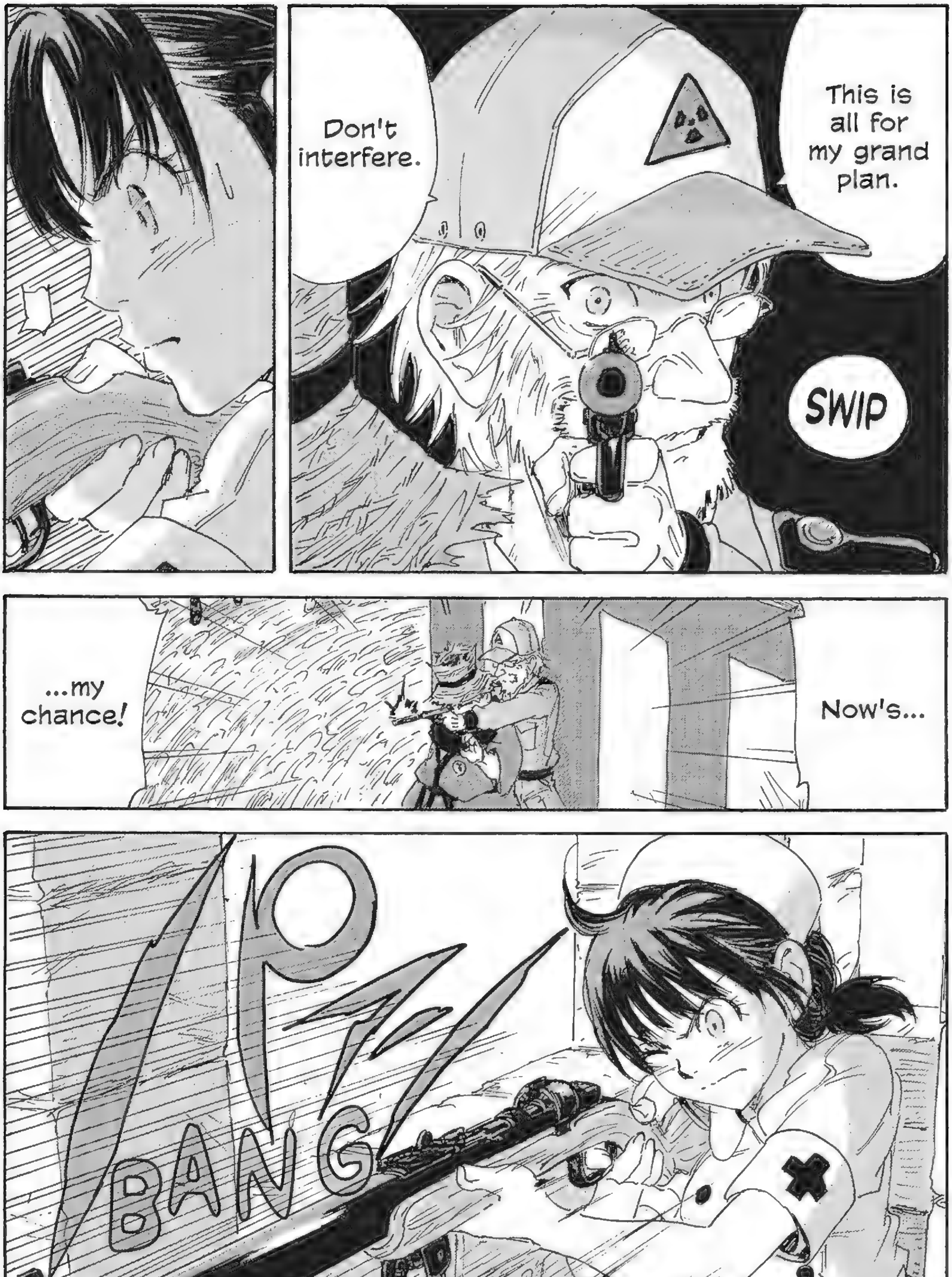

I'm going in! You know what to do!
ZWISH
Roger!
そば屋

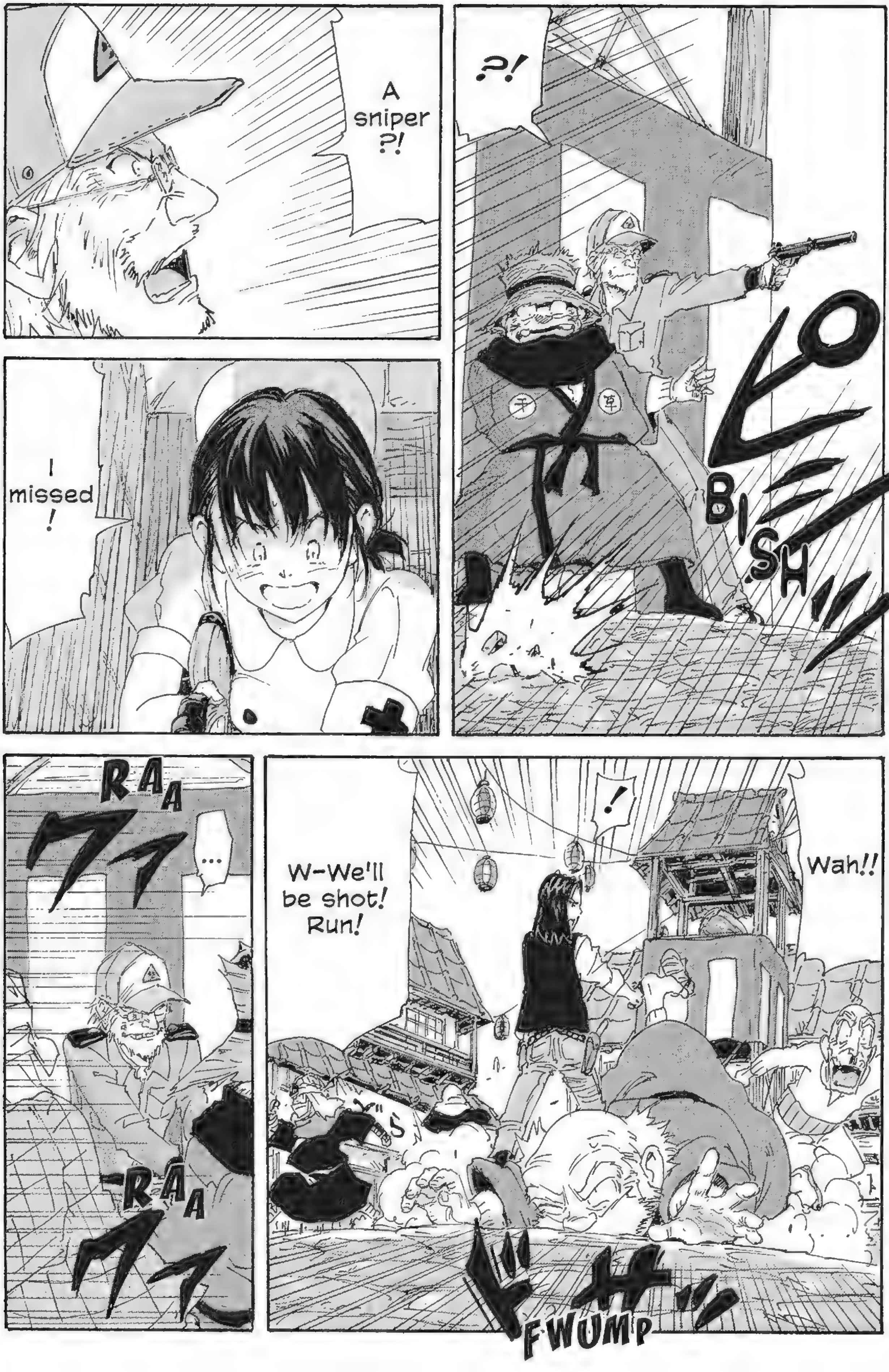

...
D-Drug...
Aoi...
KCHK
I have to keep her safe!
But... I simply couldn't shoot someone!
No matter who they are...
I'll shoot his gun out of his hands.
That's my only option...!

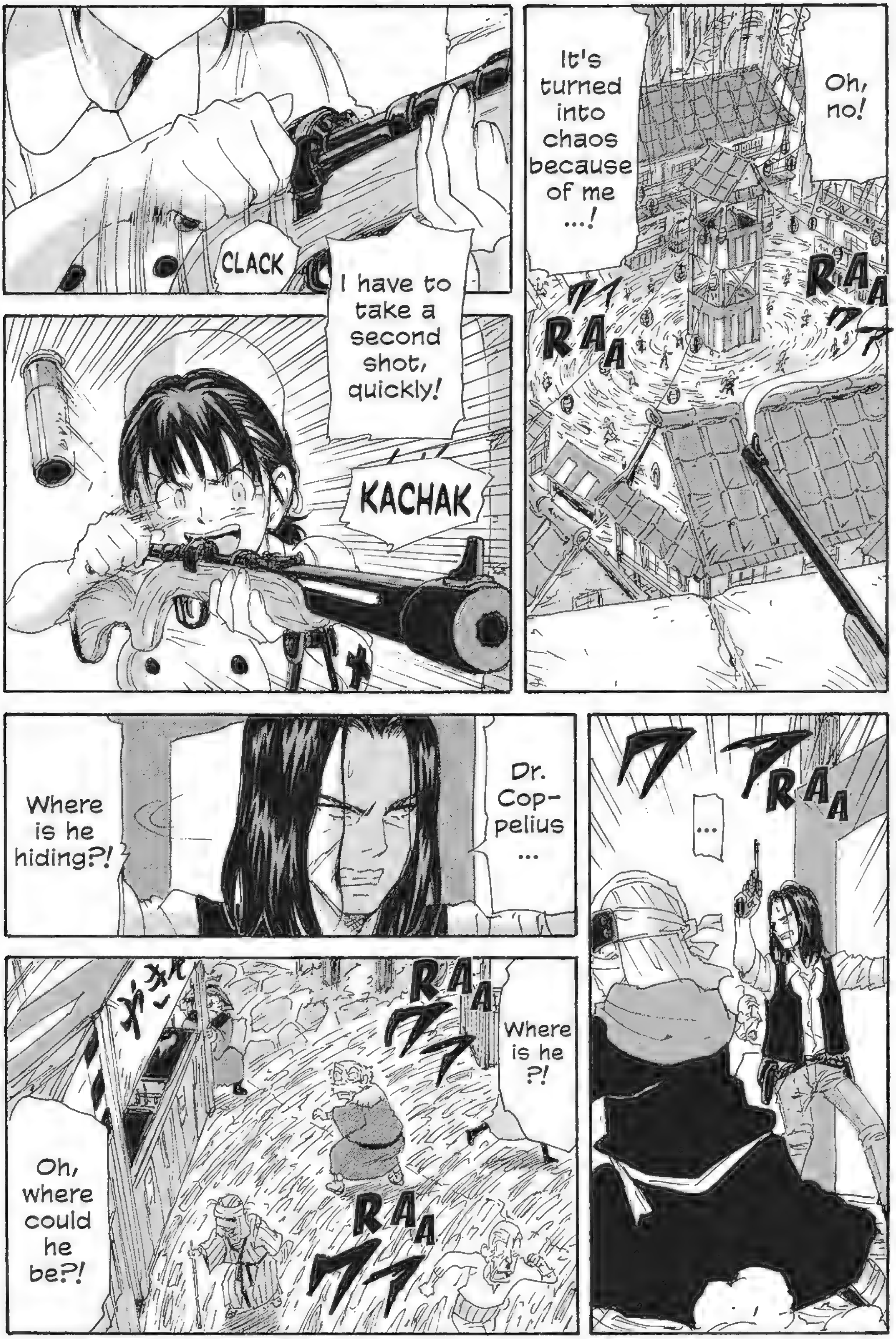

What are you waiting for?!
ザワ
MURMUR
Bring me Aoi Fukasaku! Are you deaf?!
ザワ
MURMUR
Are you going to let this fool die?! Cowards!
たい
ザワ
MURMUR
Dammit! If only the JSDF had never showed up!
They brought nothin' but trouble!
火元
Let me through.
Asi-mov!
ワァ
CLAMOR
ワァ
CLAMOR
Thank God... Help us!

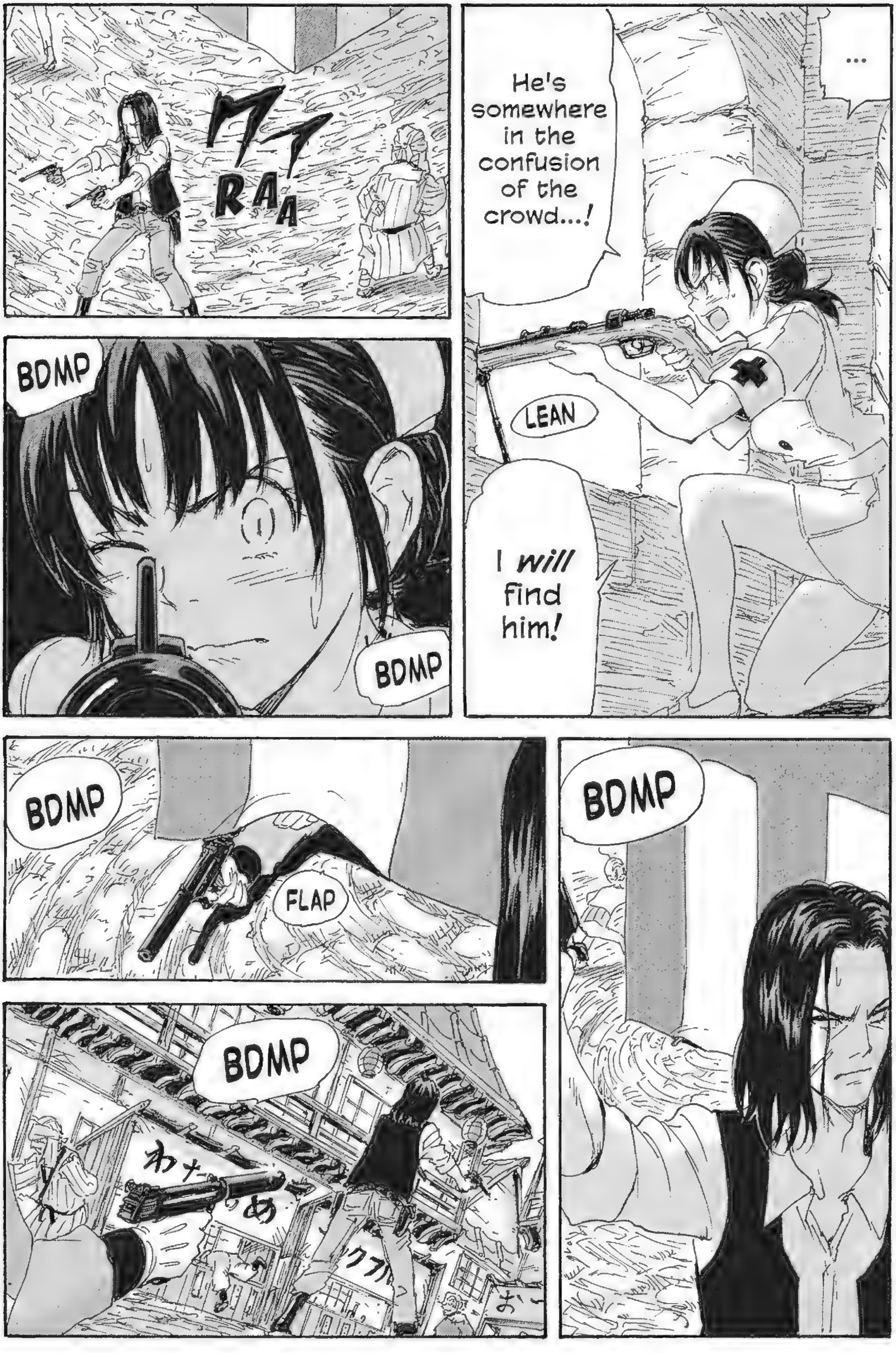

!
Mr. Asimov ...!
He's getting so close ...!
And who do you think you are?
The rest of them know to keep their distance!
There are many sick people here.
Don't be so rough with them, Dr. Coppelius.
!
Hoho... I see you're not entirely oblivious.

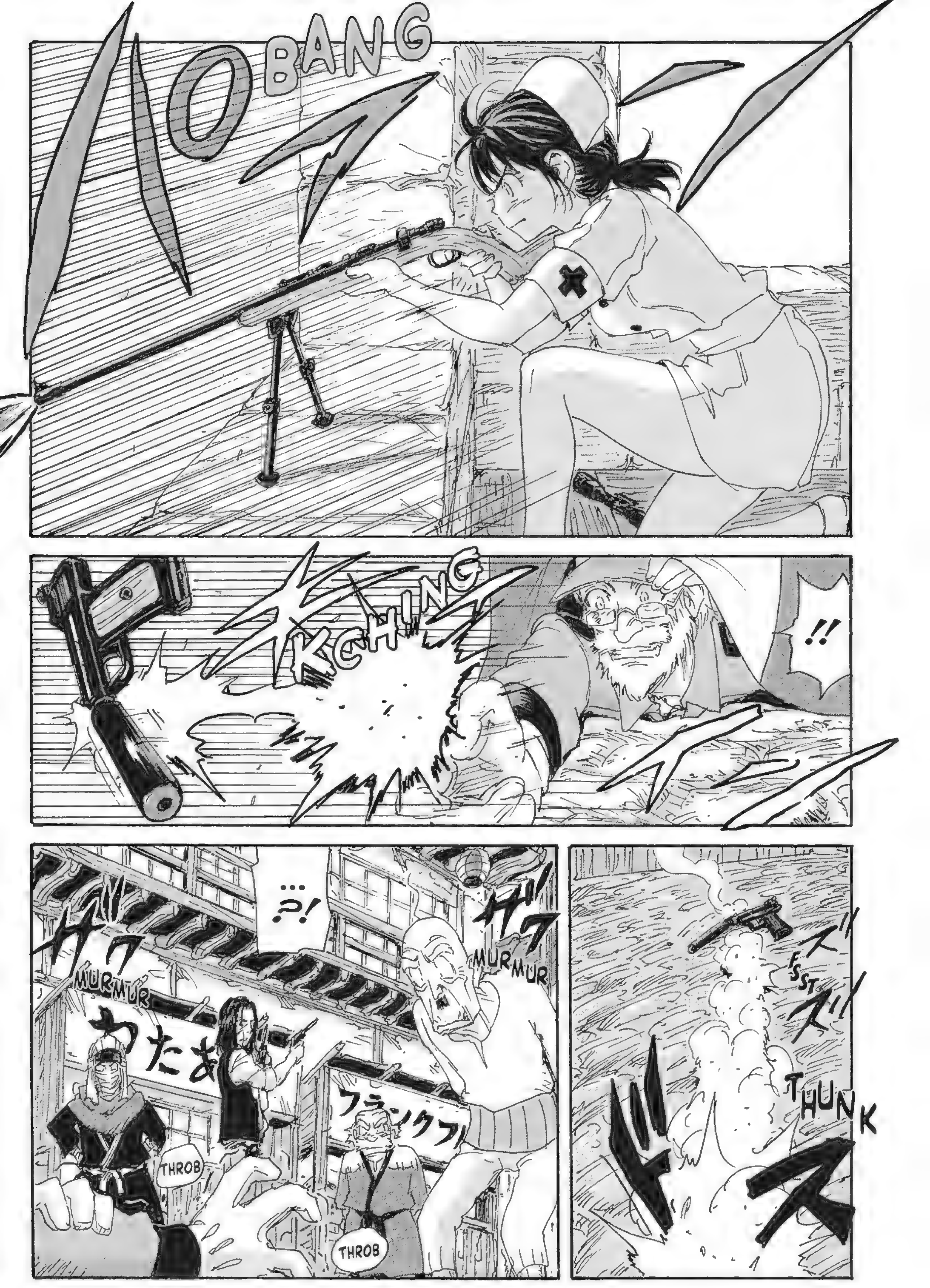

TWEET
What…
…could they be talking about?
I trapped Ibara Naruse, Haruto, and the others in the underground waterways.
Aoi Fukasaku and Taeko Nomura are the only Coppelion left in this shelter.
きとり
Neither doll has a fighting chance.
Hand over Aoi Fukasaku!
…
What's your end goal, Doctor?
What do you need the Coppelion for?

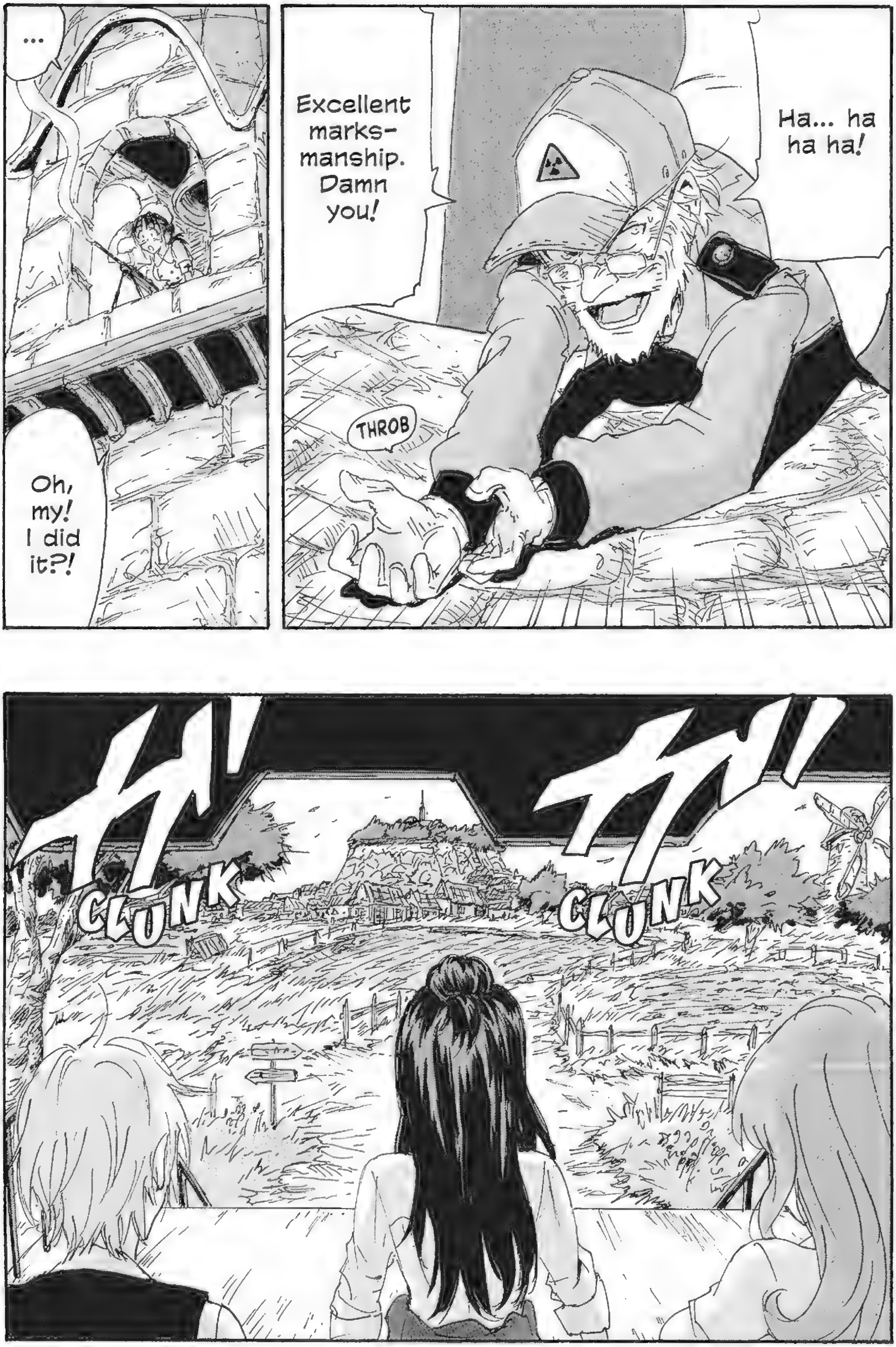

This is all for my grand plan.
Don't interfere.
SWIP
Now's...
...my chance!
BANG

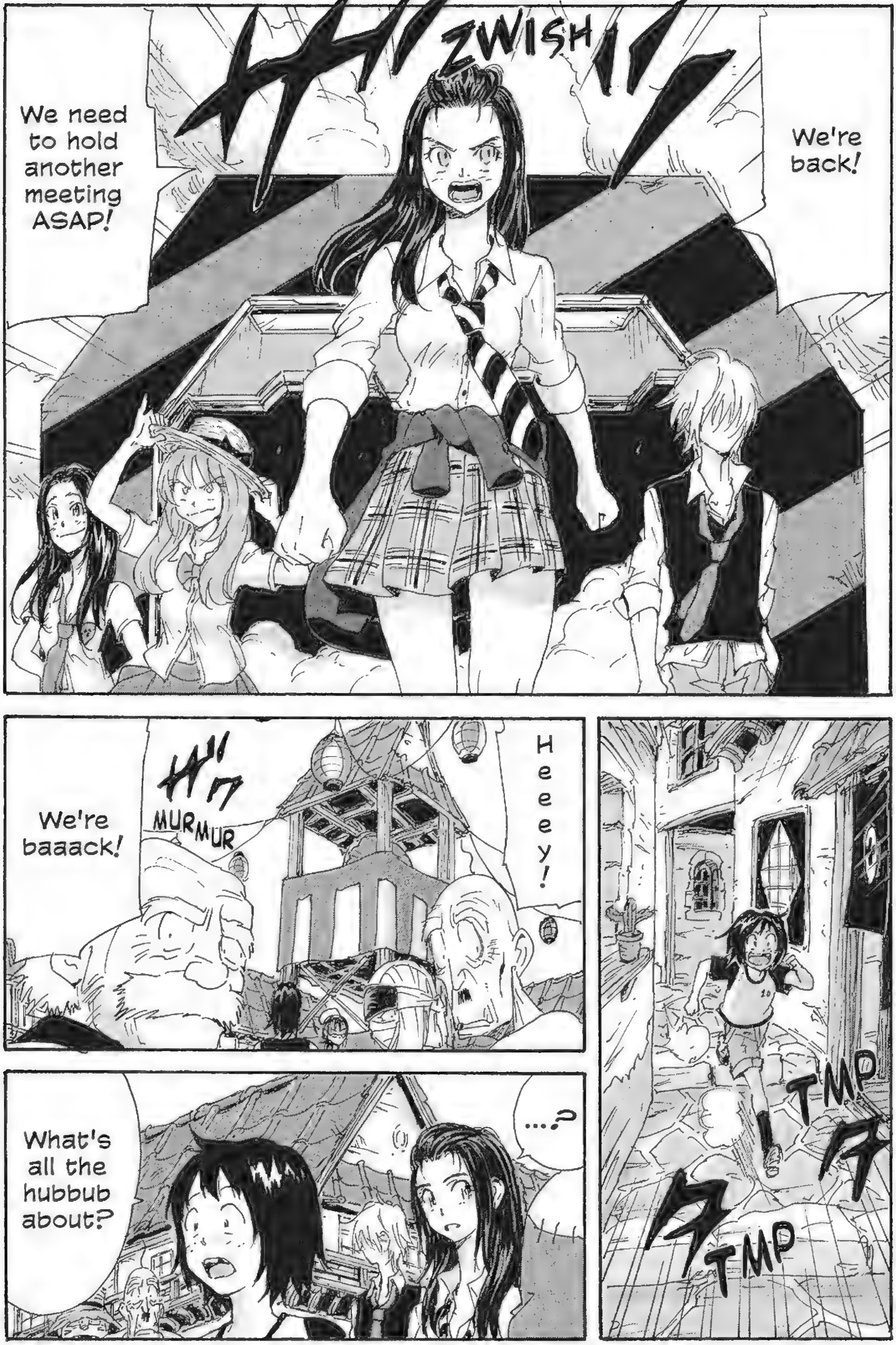

A sniper ?!
I missed!
?!
BISH
RAA
...
RAA
W-We'll be shot! Run!
!
Wah!!
FWUMP

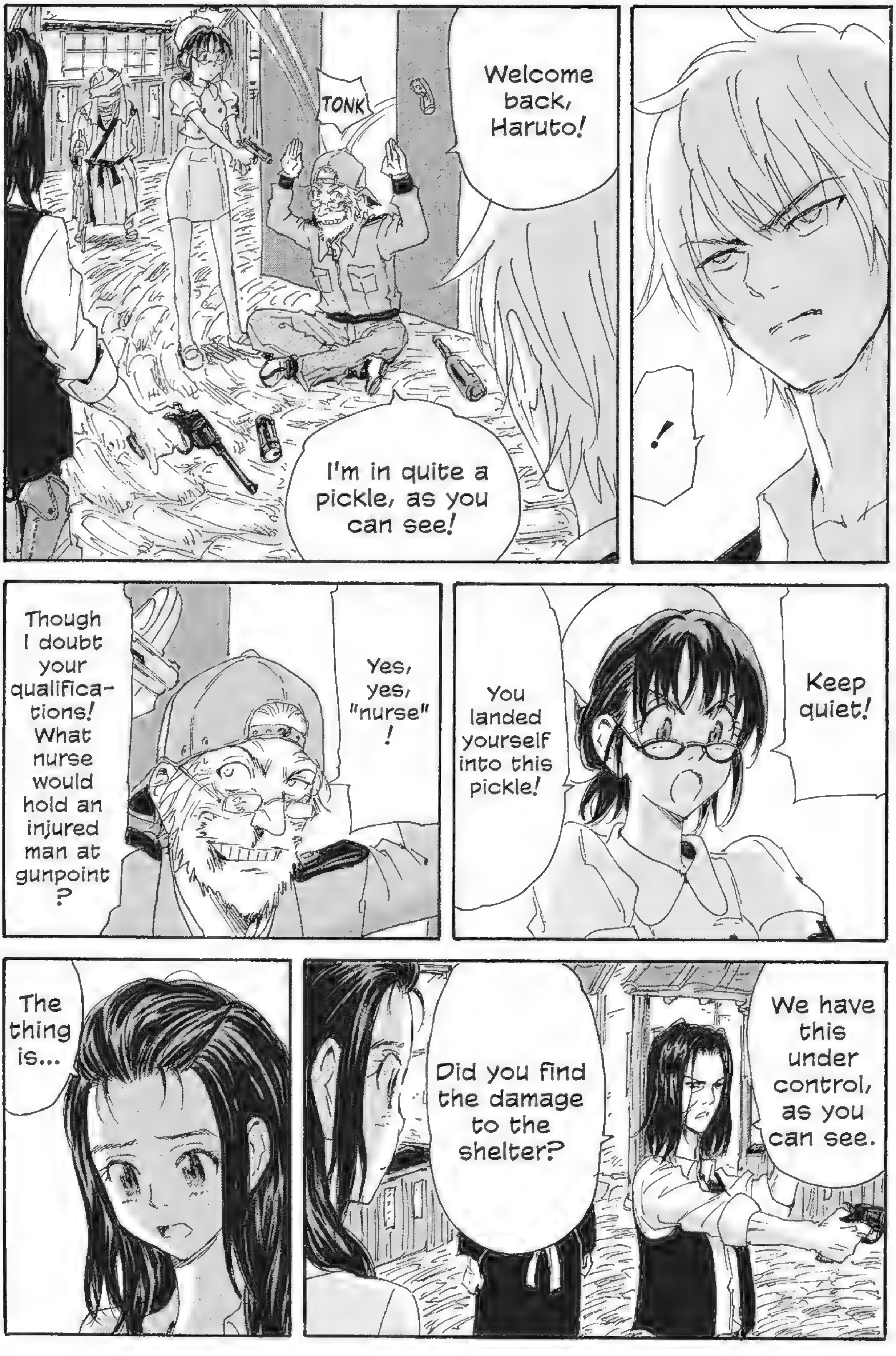

CLACK
I have to take a second shot, quickly!
KACHAK
It's turned into chaos because of me ...!
Oh, no!
RAAA
RAAA
Where is he hiding?!
Dr. Cop-pelius ...
RAAA
...
RAAA
Where is he ?!
Oh, where could he be?!
RAAA

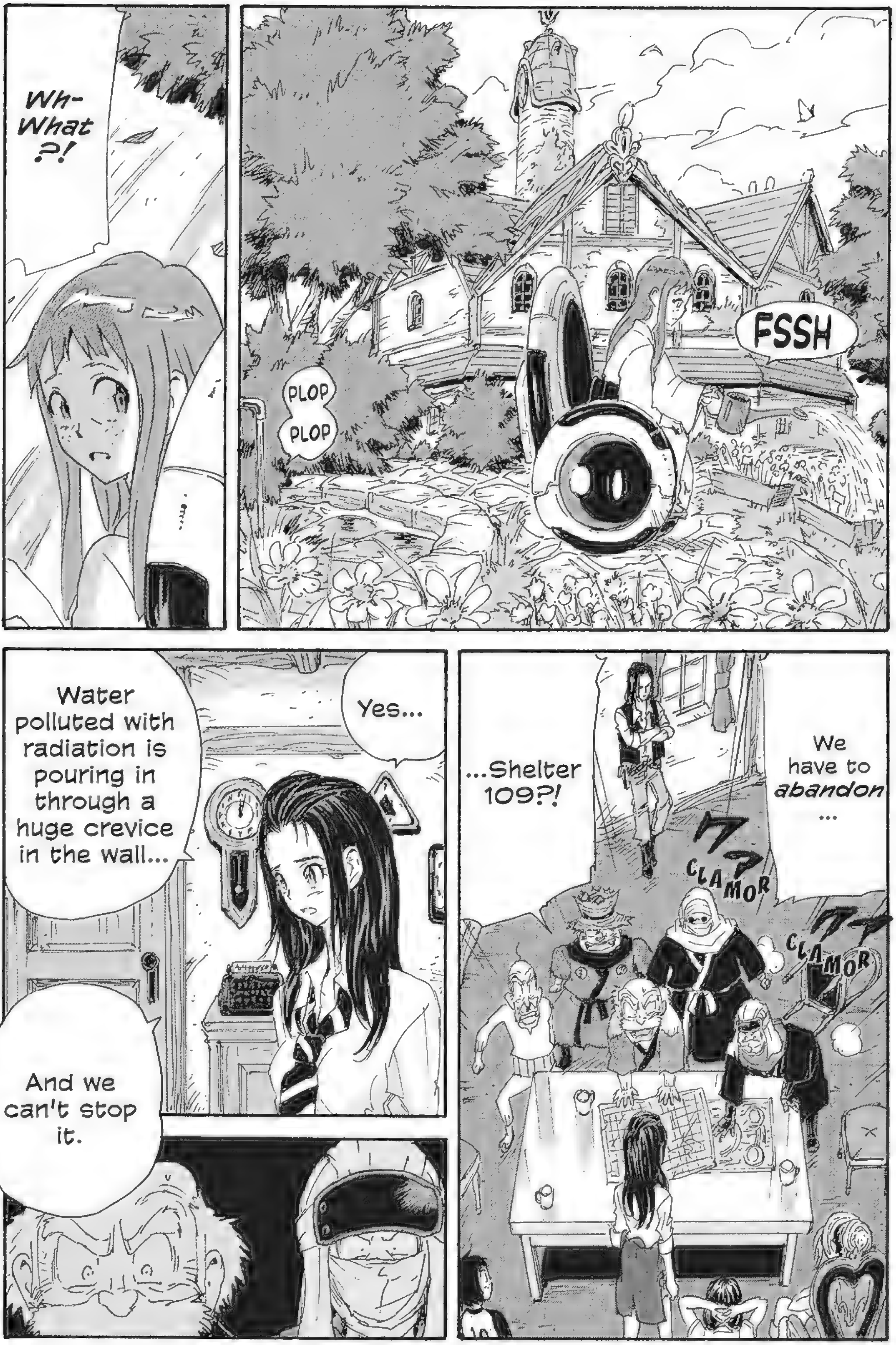

...
He's somewhere in the confusion of the crowd...!
LEAN
I *will* find him!
RAA
BDMP
BDMP
BDMP
BDMP
FLAP
BDMP

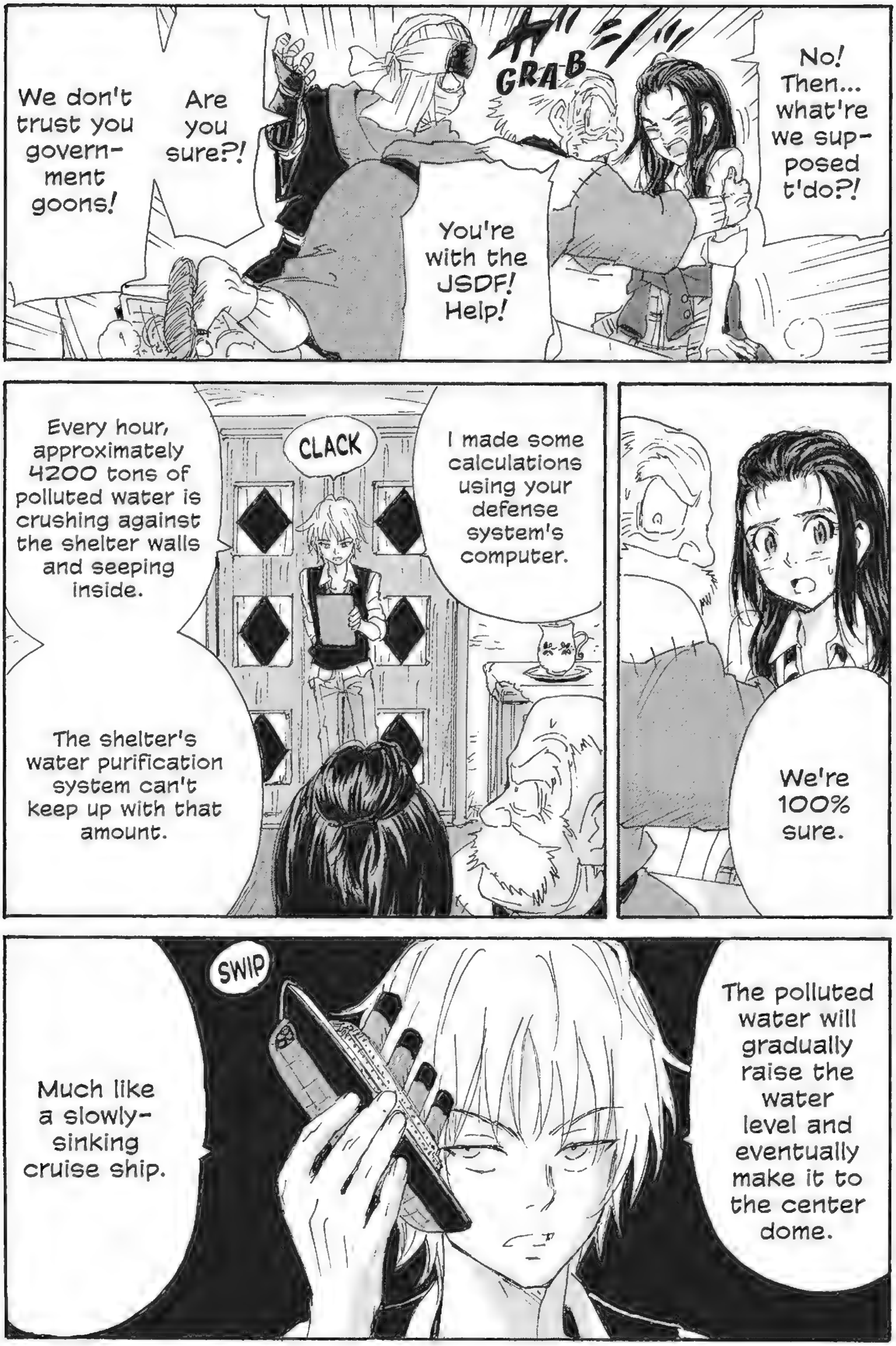

BANG
KCHING
!!
ズズ
FSST
ドス
THUNK
…?!
ザワ
MURMUR
ザワ
MURMUR
わたあ
フランクフ
THROB
THROB

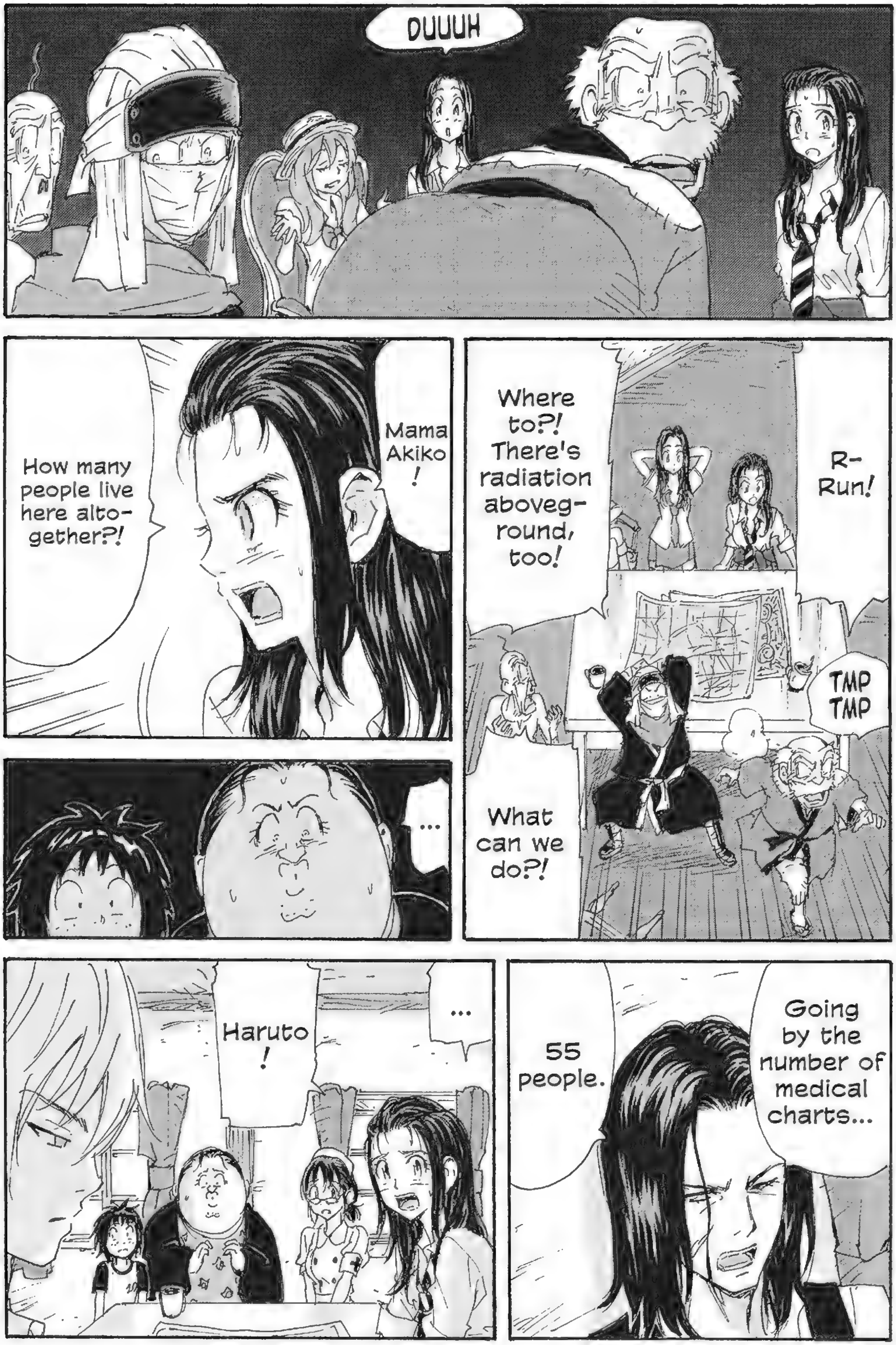

...
Oh, my! I did it?!
Excellent marksmanship. Damn you!
Ha... ha ha ha!
THROB
CLUNK
CLUNK

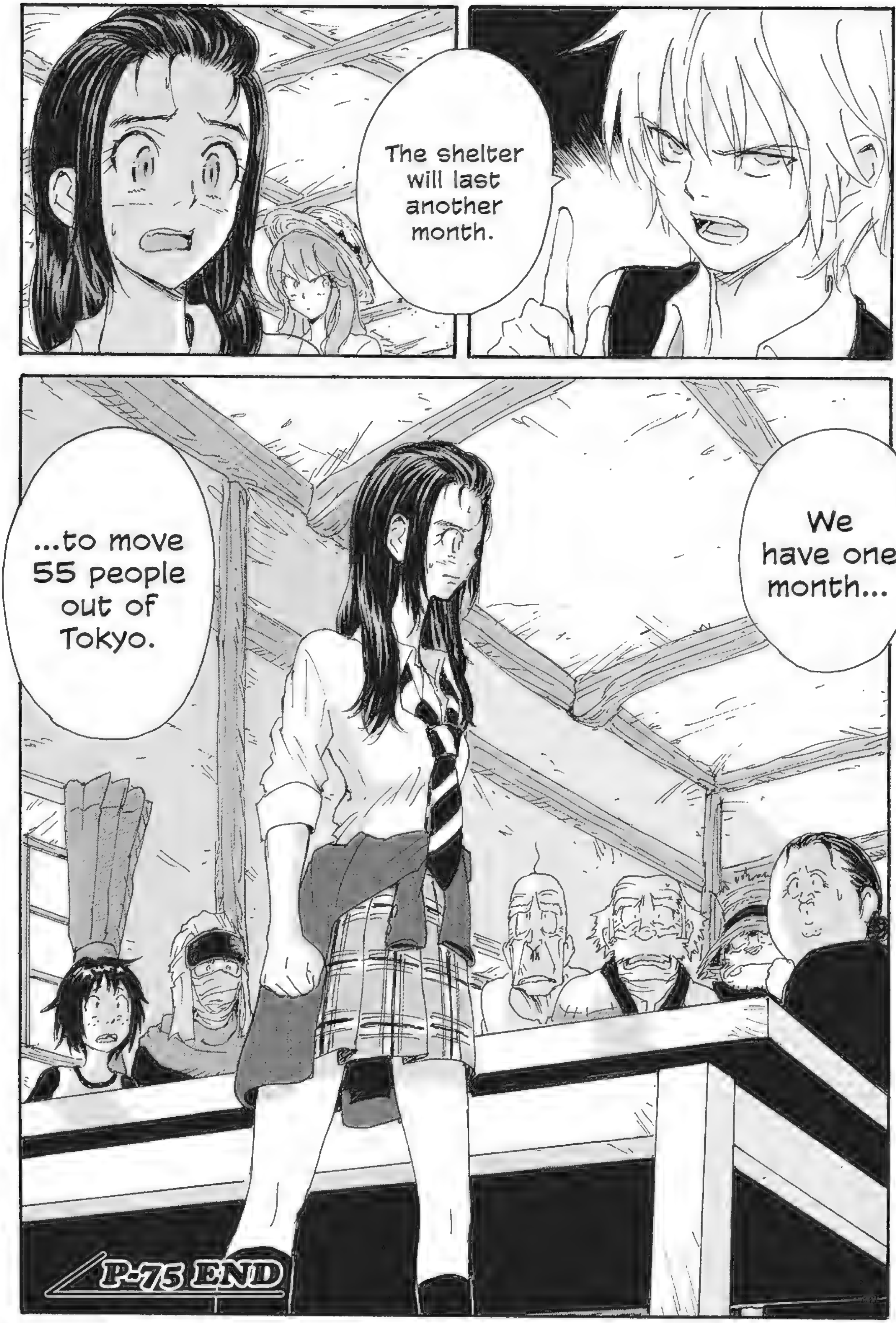

ZWISH
We're back!
We need to hold another meeting ASAP!
TMP
TMP
Heeey!
We're baaack!
MURMUR
...?
What's all the hubbub about?

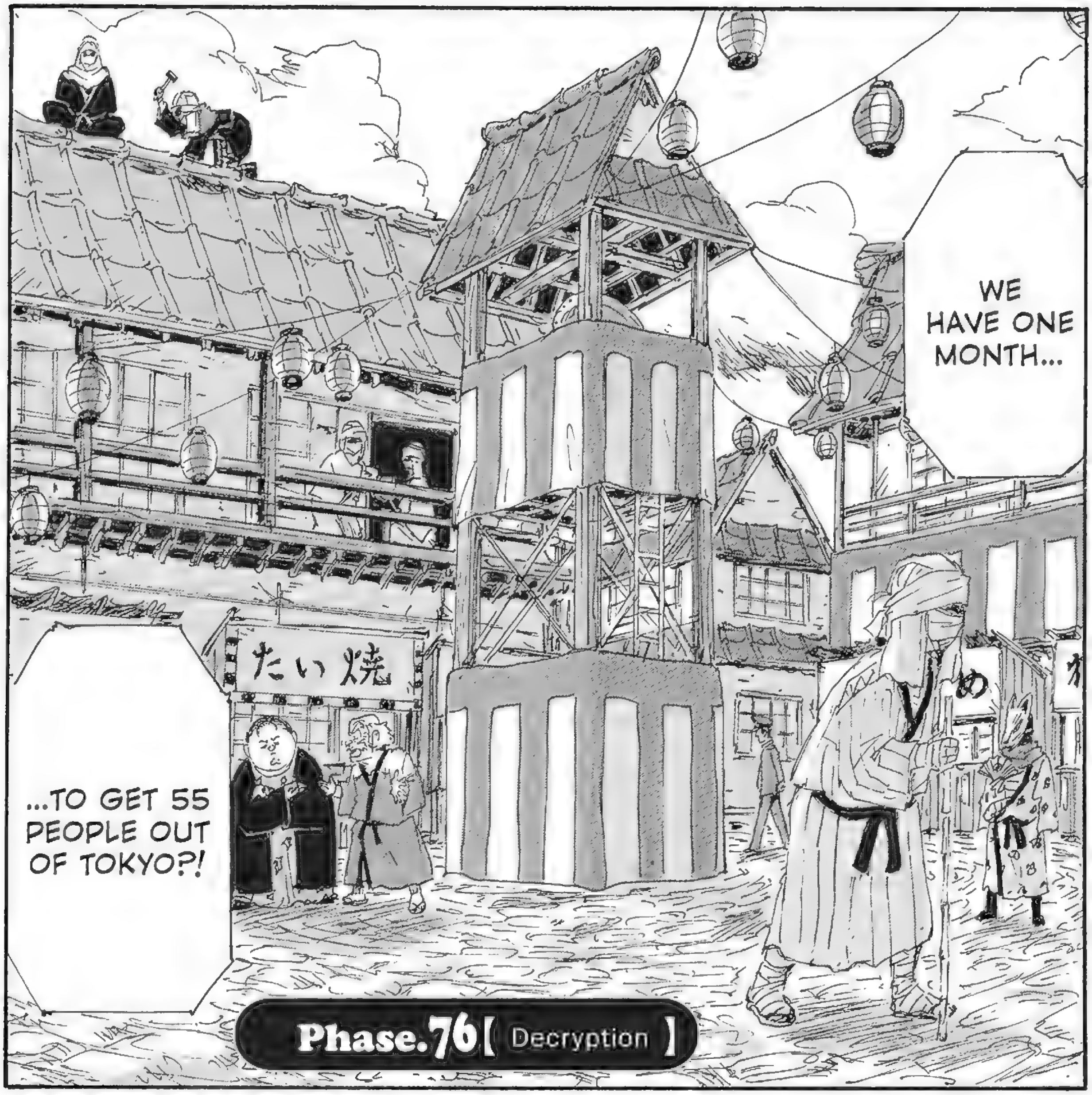

TONK
Welcome back, Haruto!
I'm in quite a pickle, as you can see!
!
Yes, yes, "nurse"!
Though I doubt your qualifications! What nurse would hold an injured man at gunpoint?
Keep quiet!
You landed yourself into this pickle!
The thing is...
We have this under control, as you can see.
Did you find the damage to the shelter?


Wh-What?!
....
PLOP
PLOP
FSSH
Water polluted with radiation is pouring in through a huge crevice in the wall...
Yes...
And we can't stop it.
...Shelter 109?!
We have to *abandon* ...
CLAMOR
CLAMOR


No! Then... what're we sup-posed t'do?!
GRAB
You're with the JSDF! Help!
Are you sure?!
We don't trust you government goons!
We're 100% sure.
CLACK
I made some calculations using your defense system's computer.
Every hour, approximately 4200 tons of polluted water is crushing against the shelter walls and seeping inside.
The shelter's water purification system can't keep up with that amount.
SWIP
The polluted water will gradually raise the water level and eventually make it to the center dome.
Much like a slowly-sinking cruise ship.


DUUUH
R-Run!
Where to?! There's radiation aboveground, too!
TMP TMP
What can we do?!
Mama Akiko!
How many people live here altogether?!
...
Going by the number of medical charts...
55 people.
...
Haruto!


The shelter will last another month.
We have one month...
...to move 55 people out of Tokyo.
P-75 END


WE HAVE ONE MONTH...
...TO GET 55 PEOPLE OUT OF TOKYO?!
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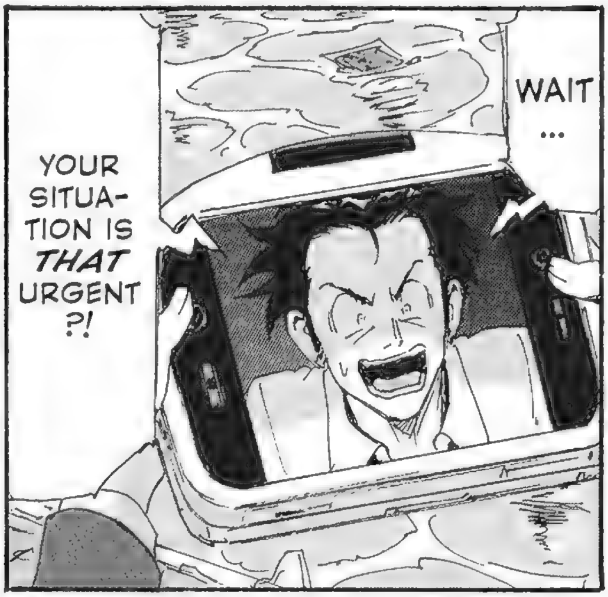
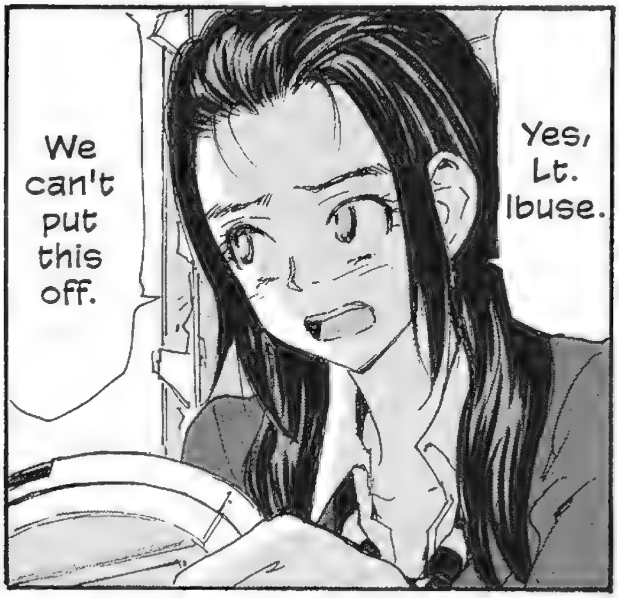
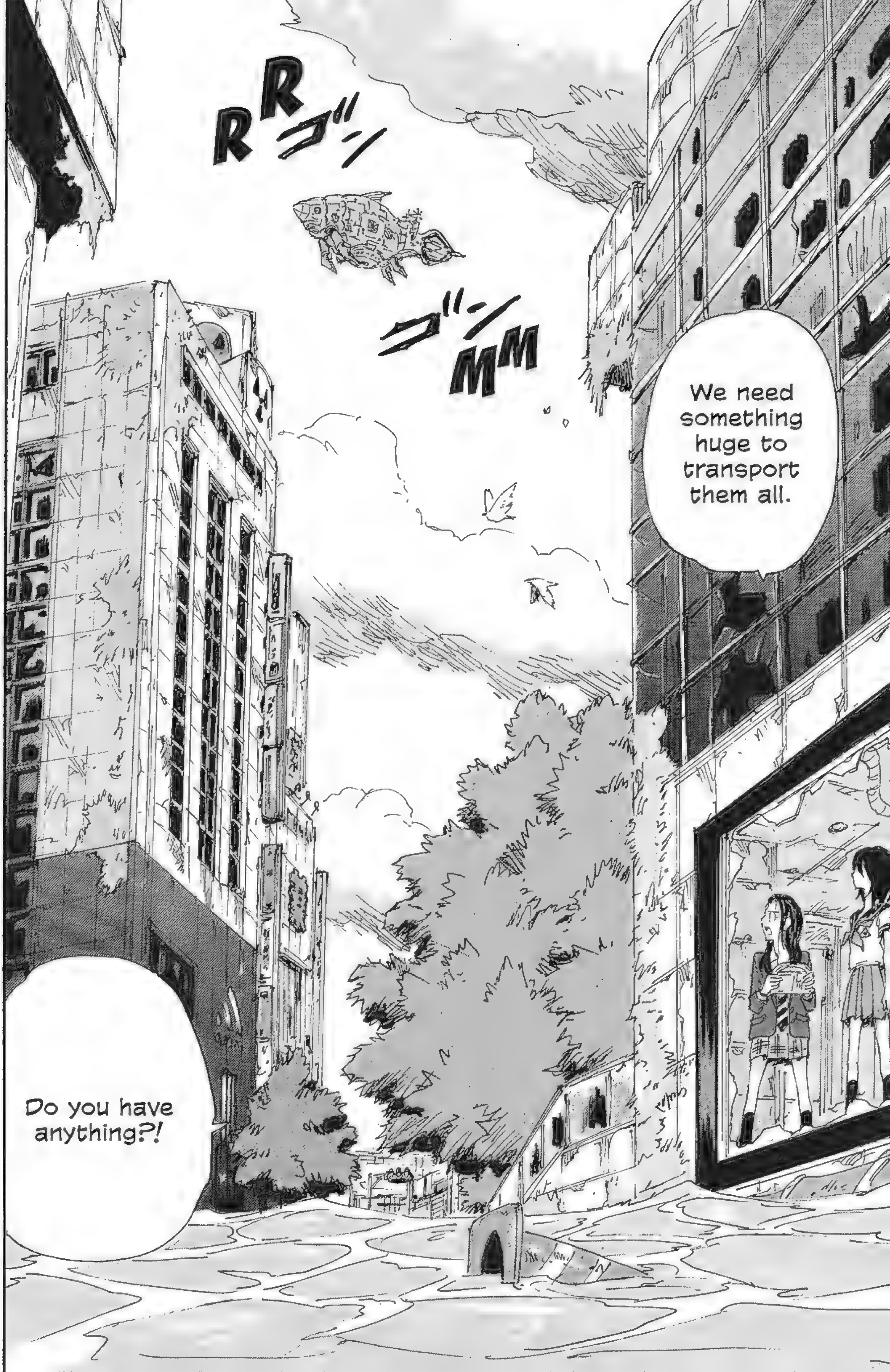
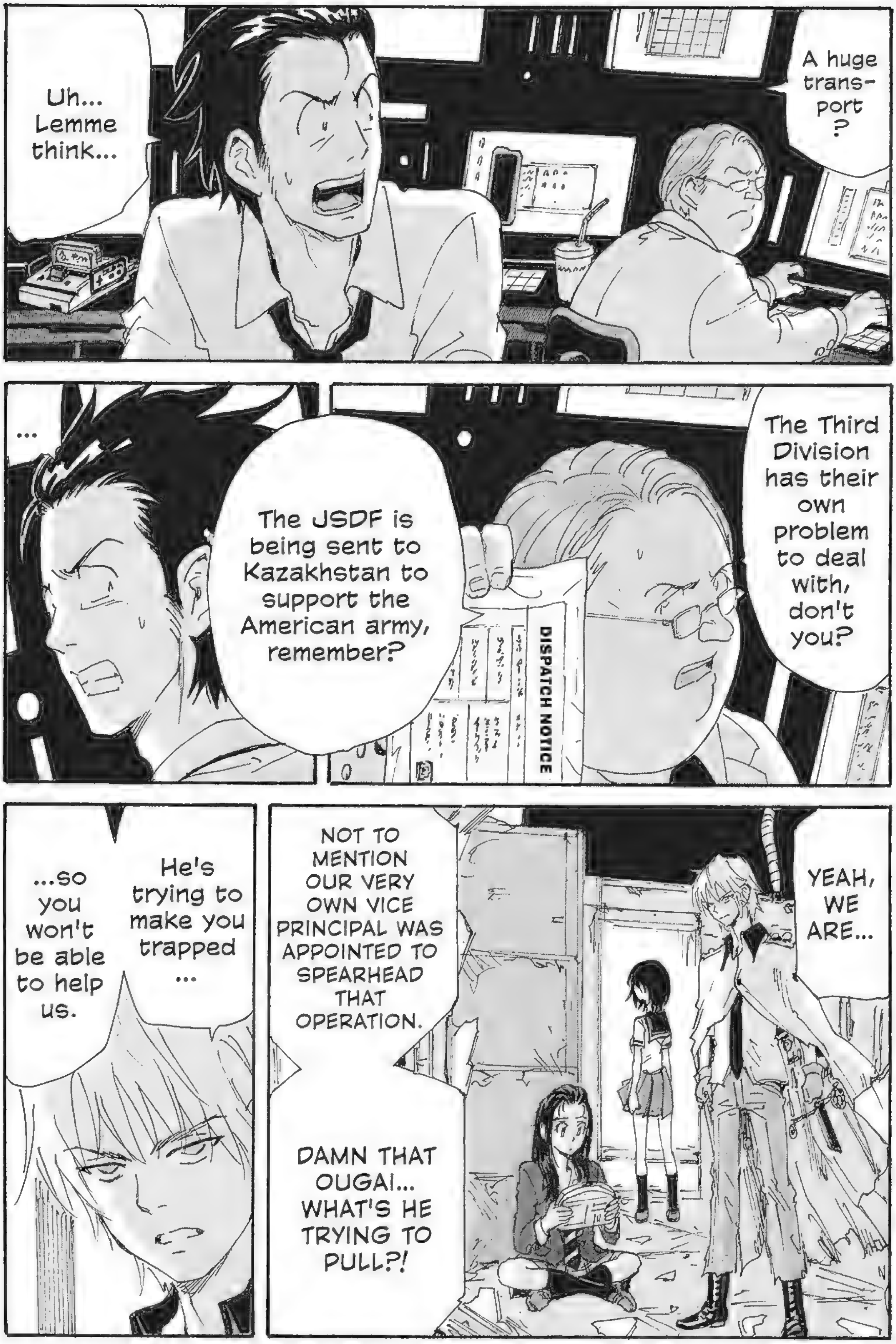
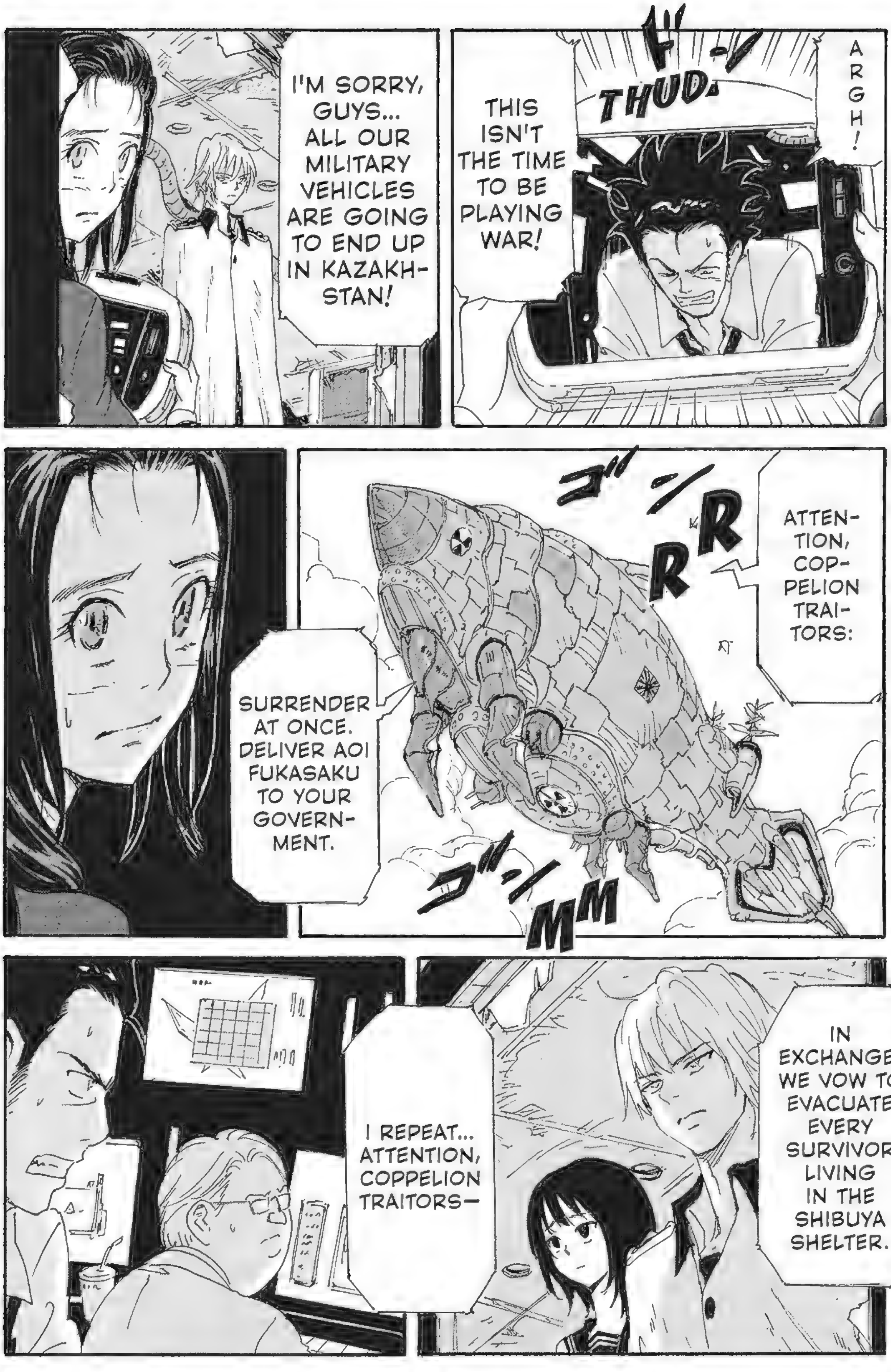
Phase.76 [Decryption]

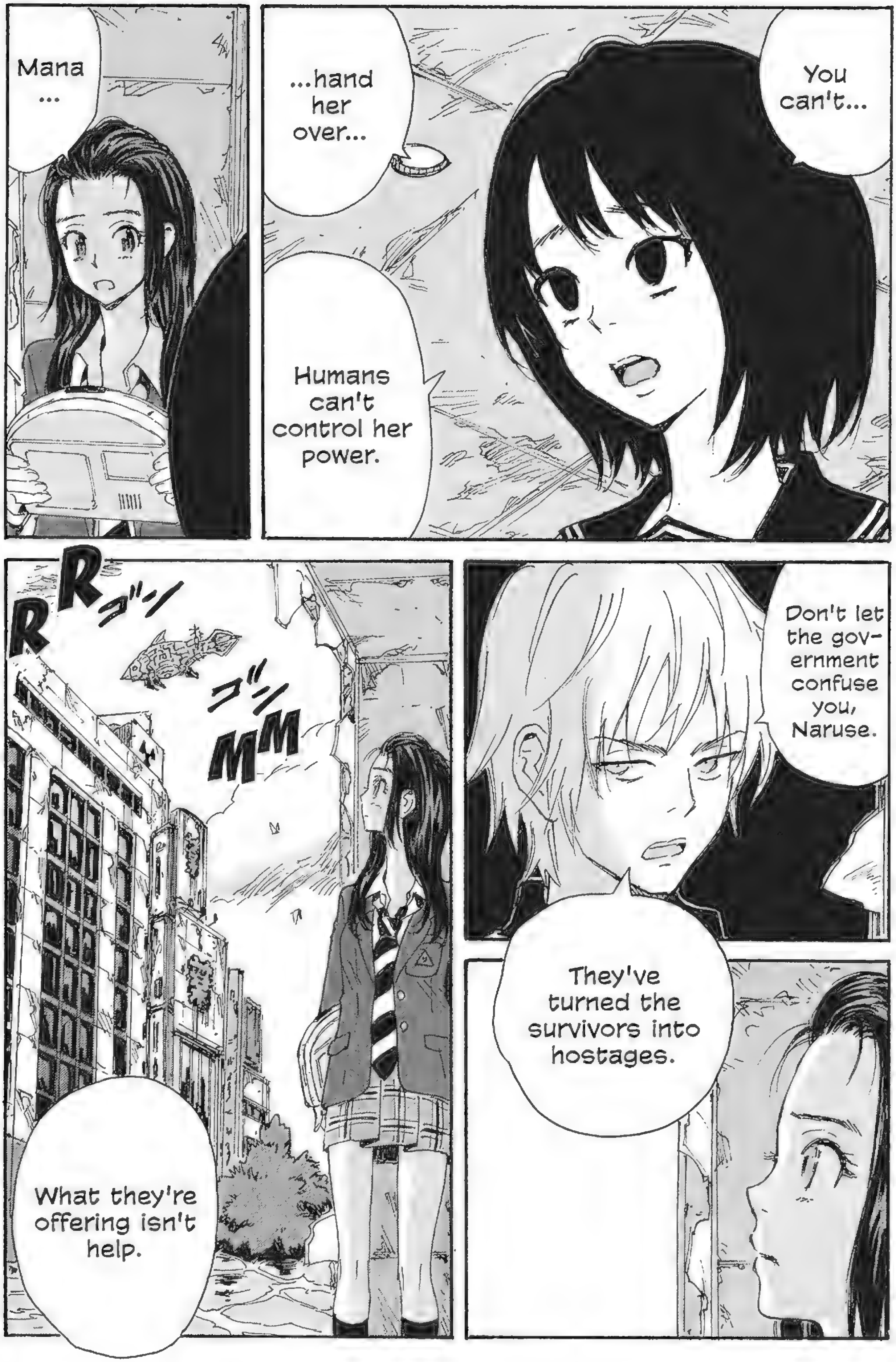

WAIT ...
YOUR SITUATION IS *THAT* URGENT?!

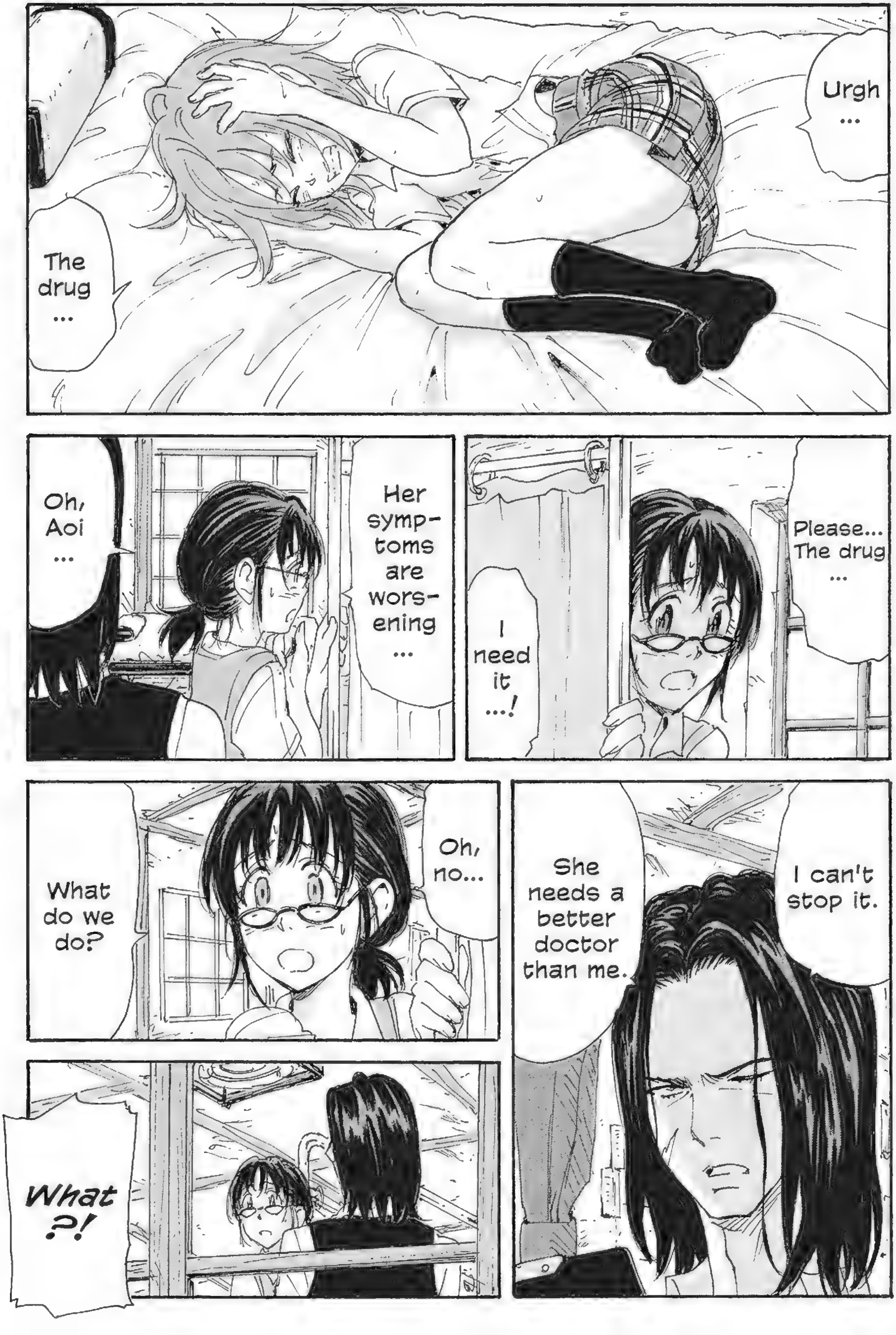

Yes, Lt. Ibuse.
We can't put this off.

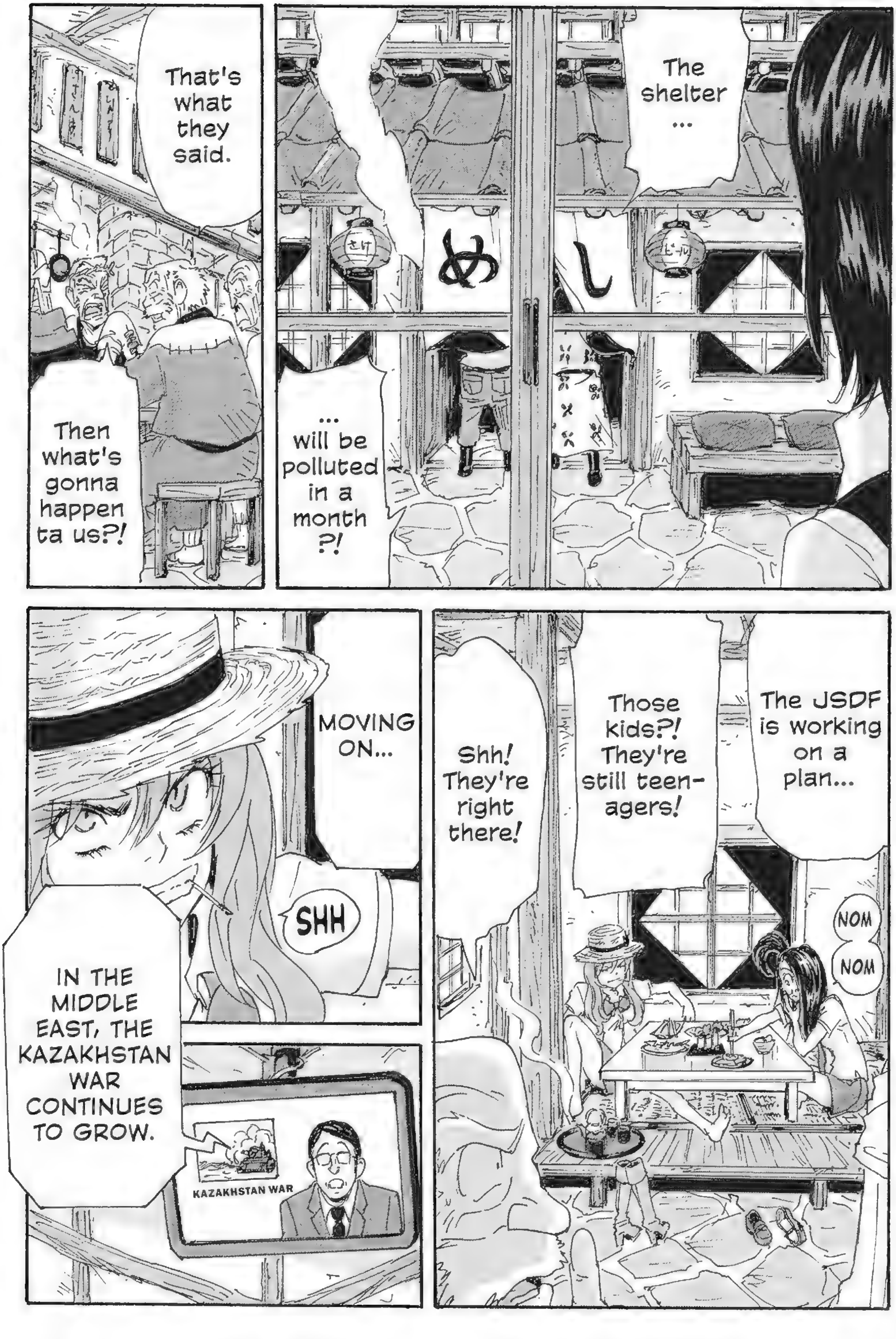

RR ゴン
ゴン MM
We need something huge to transport them all.
Do you have anything?!

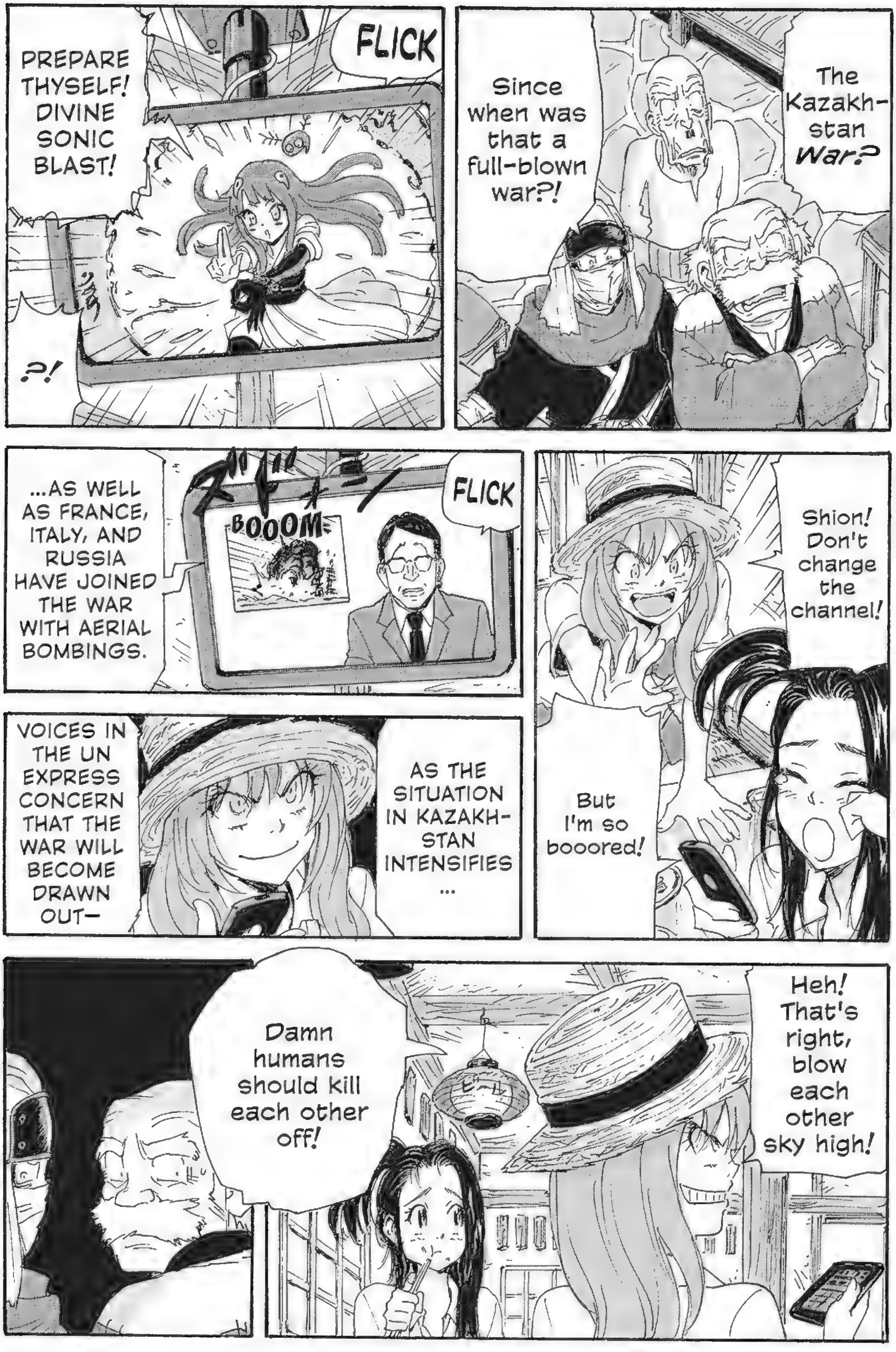

A huge transport?
Uh... Lemme think...
The Third Division has their own problem to deal with, don't you?
DISPATCH NOTICE
The JSDF is being sent to Kazakhstan to support the American army, remember?
...
YEAH, WE ARE...
NOT TO MENTION OUR VERY OWN VICE PRINCIPAL WAS APPOINTED TO SPEARHEAD THAT OPERATION.
DAMN THAT OUGAI... WHAT'S HE TRYING TO PULL?!
He's trying to make you trapped...
...so you won't be able to help us.

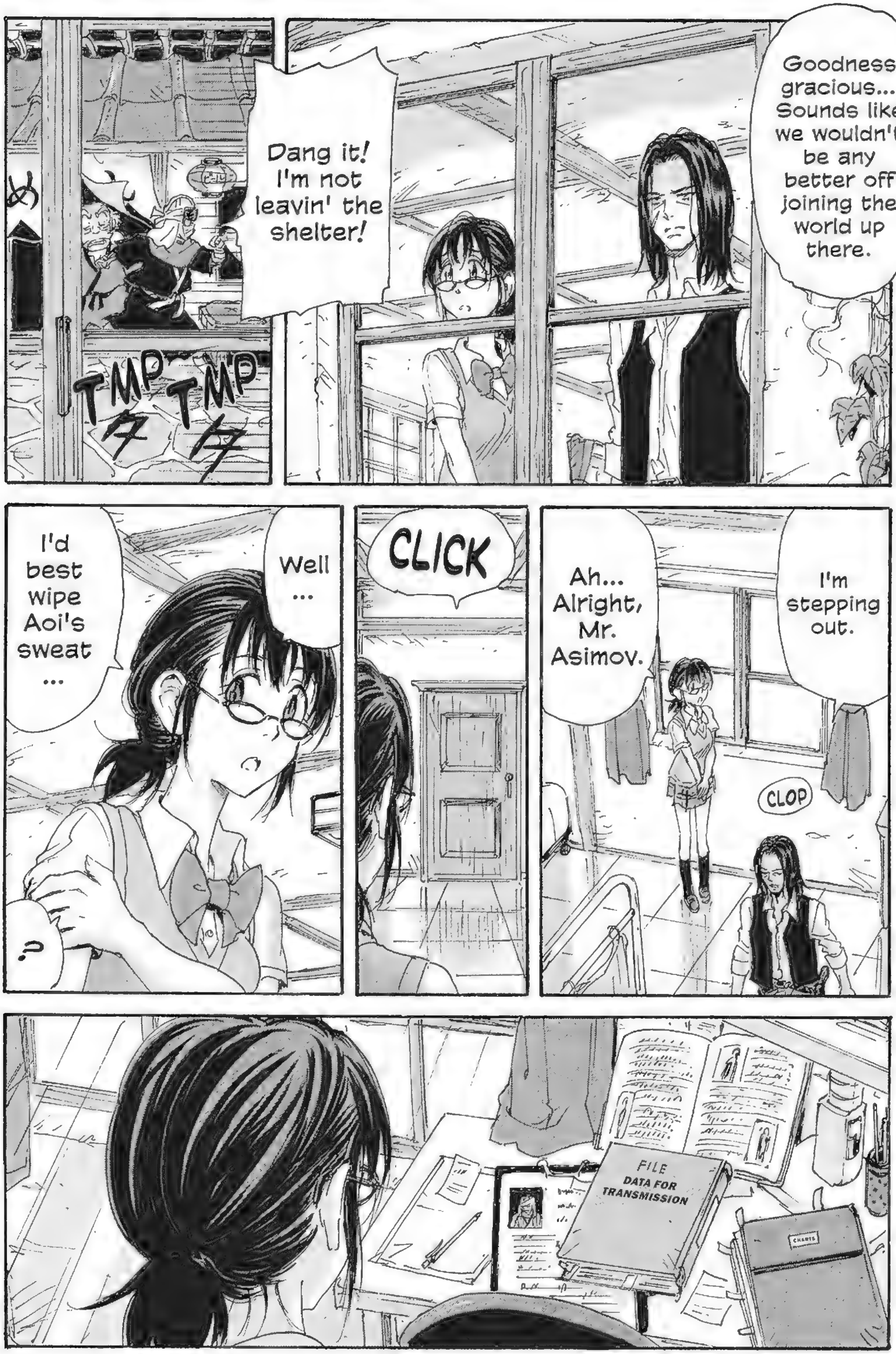

ARGH!
THUD.
THIS ISN'T THE TIME TO BE PLAYING WAR!
I'M SORRY, GUYS... ALL OUR MILITARY VEHICLES ARE GOING TO END UP IN KAZAKHSTAN!
ATTENTION, COPPELION TRAITORS:
RR
SURRENDER AT ONCE. DELIVER AOI FUKASAKU TO YOUR GOVERNMENT.
MM
IN EXCHANGE, WE VOW TO EVACUATE EVERY SURVIVOR LIVING IN THE SHIBUYA SHELTER.
I REPEAT... ATTENTION, COPPELION TRAITORS—

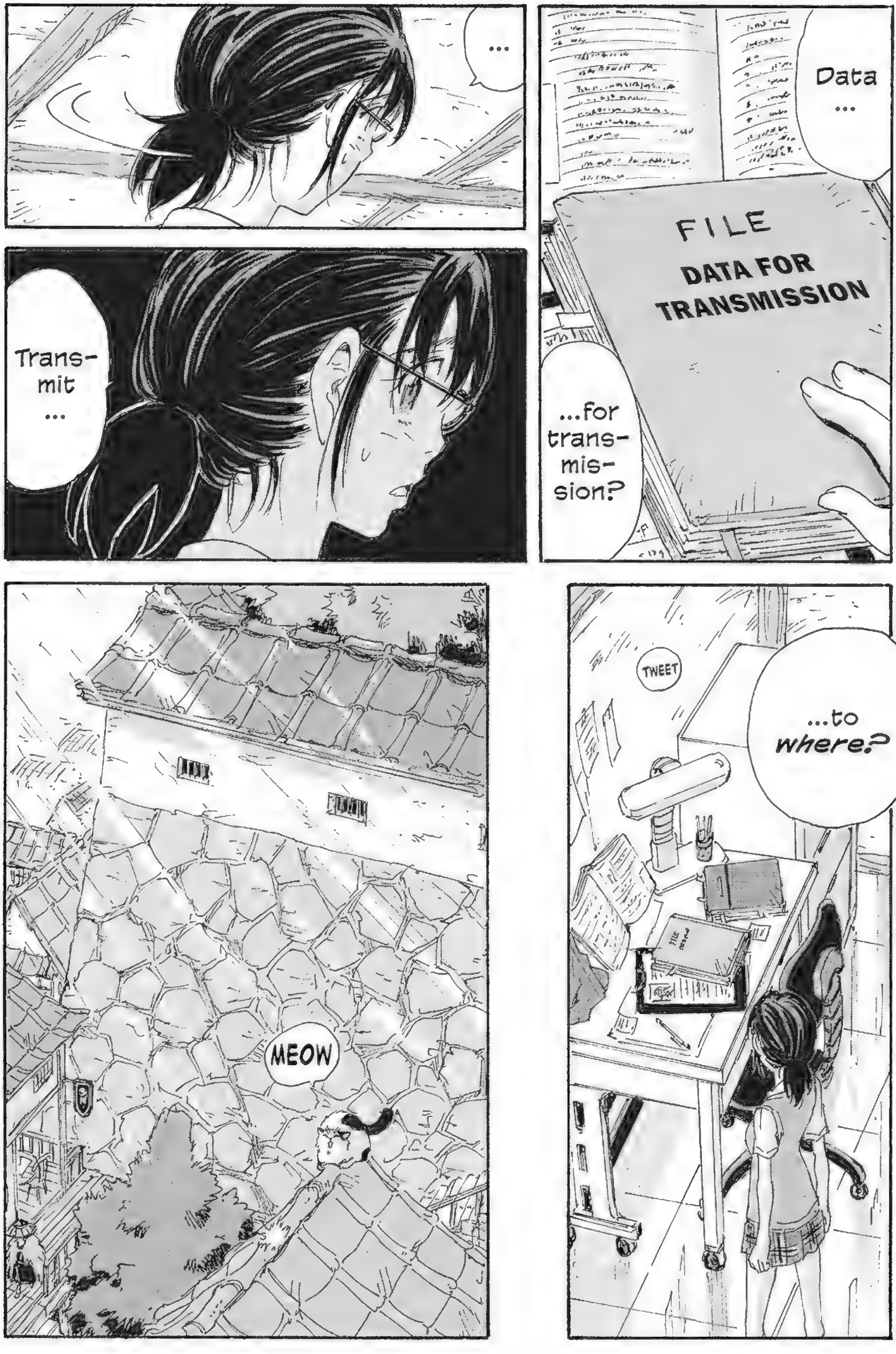

You can't...
...hand her over...
Humans can't control her power.
Mana ...
Don't let the government confuse you, Naruse.
They've turned the survivors into hostages.
RR ゴン
ゴン MM
What they're offering isn't help.

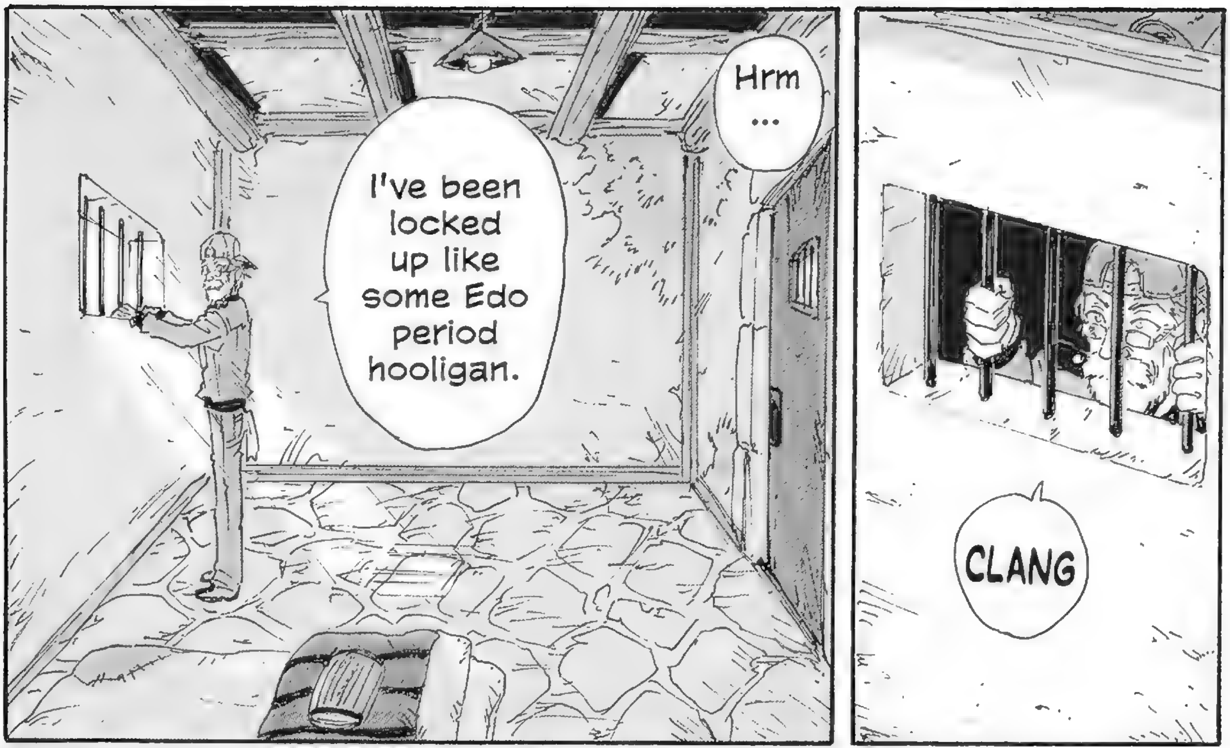

Urgh...
The drug...
Please... The drug...
I need it...!
Her symptoms are worsening...
Oh, Aoi...
I can't stop it.
She needs a better doctor than me.
Oh, no...
What do we do?
What?!


The shelter...
さけ
めし
ビール
... will be polluted in a month?!
That's what they said.
Then what's gonna happen ta us?!
The JSDF is working on a plan...
Those kids?! They're still teen-agers!
Shh! They're right there!
NOM
NOM
MOVING ON...
SHH
IN THE MIDDLE EAST, THE KAZAKHSTAN WAR CONTINUES TO GROW.
KAZAKHSTAN WAR

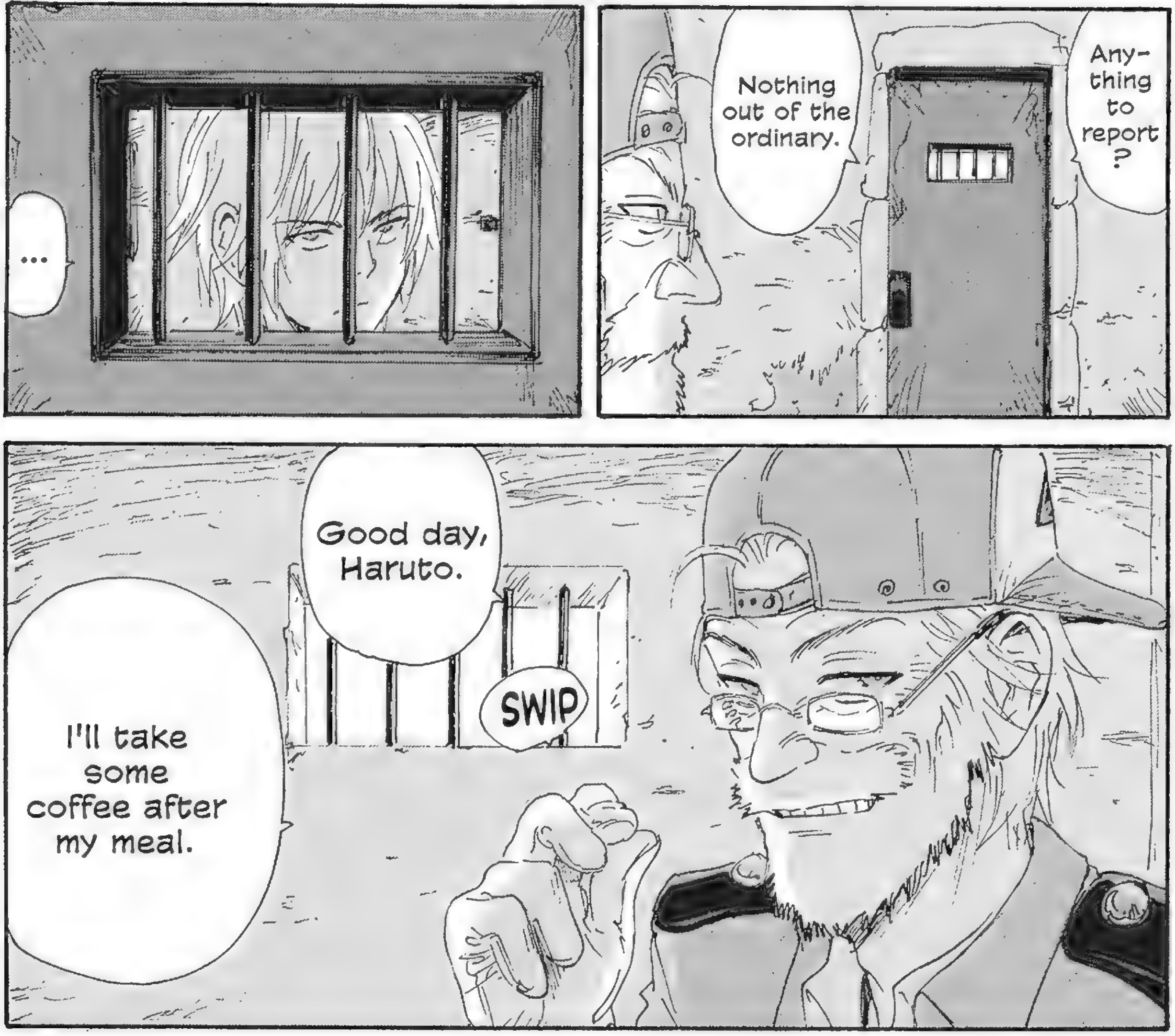

The Kazakhstan War?
Since when was that a full-blown war?!
FLICK
PREPARE THYSELF! DIVINE SONIC BLAST!
?!
Shion! Don't change the channel!
But I'm so booored!
FLICK
BOOOM
...AS WELL AS FRANCE, ITALY, AND RUSSIA HAVE JOINED THE WAR WITH AERIAL BOMBINGS.
AS THE SITUATION IN KAZAKHSTAN INTENSIFIES ...
VOICES IN THE UN EXPRESS CONCERN THAT THE WAR WILL BECOME DRAWN OUT—
Heh! That's right, blow each other sky high!
Damn humans should kill each other off!

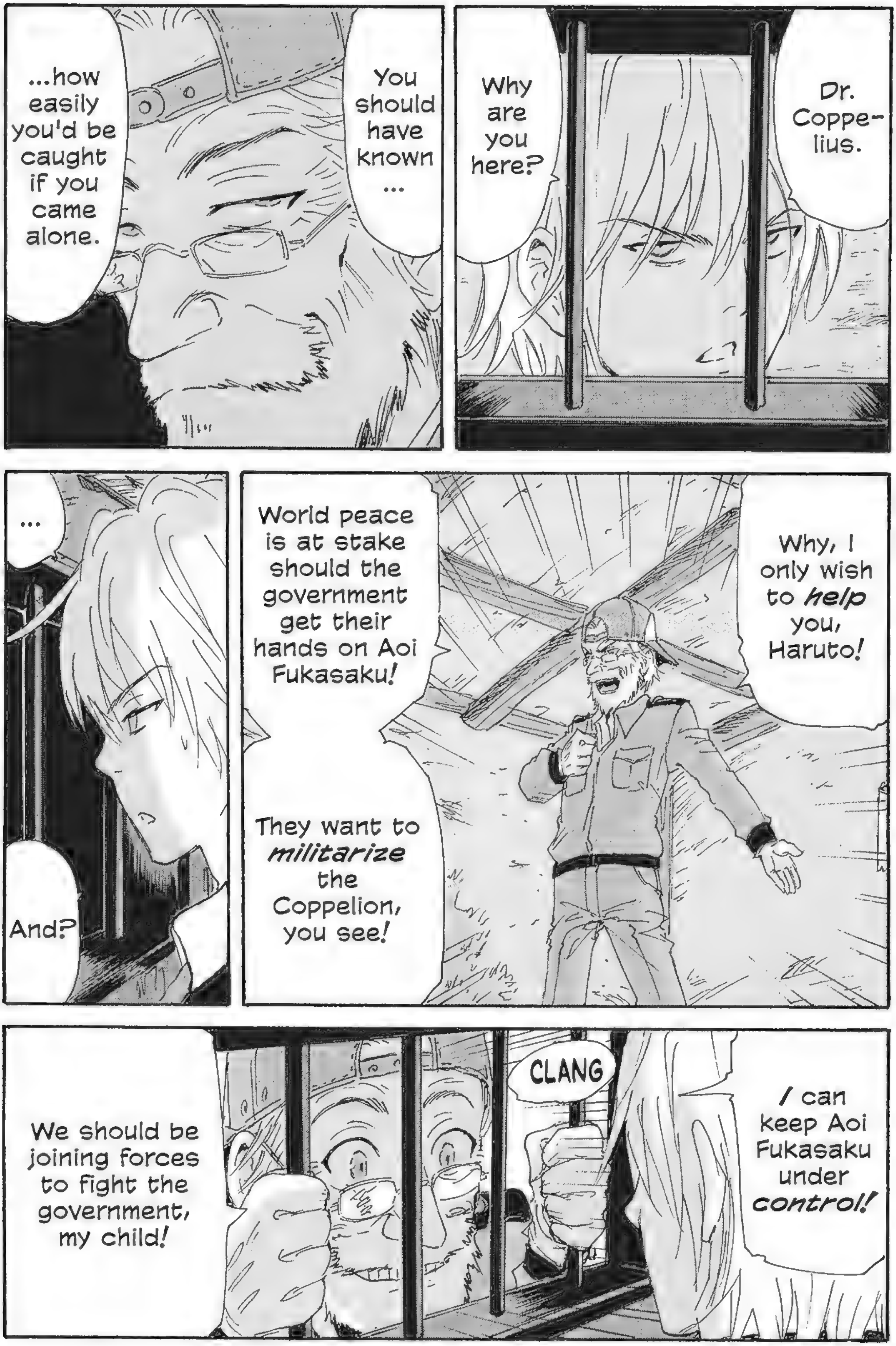

Goodness gracious... Sounds like we wouldn't be any better off joining the world up there.
Dang it! I'm not leavin' the shelter!
め
TMP TMP
タ タ
I'm stepping out.
Ah... Alright, Mr. Asimov.
CLOP
CLICK
Well ...
I'd best wipe Aoi's sweat ...
?
FILE
DATA FOR TRANSMISSION
CHARTS

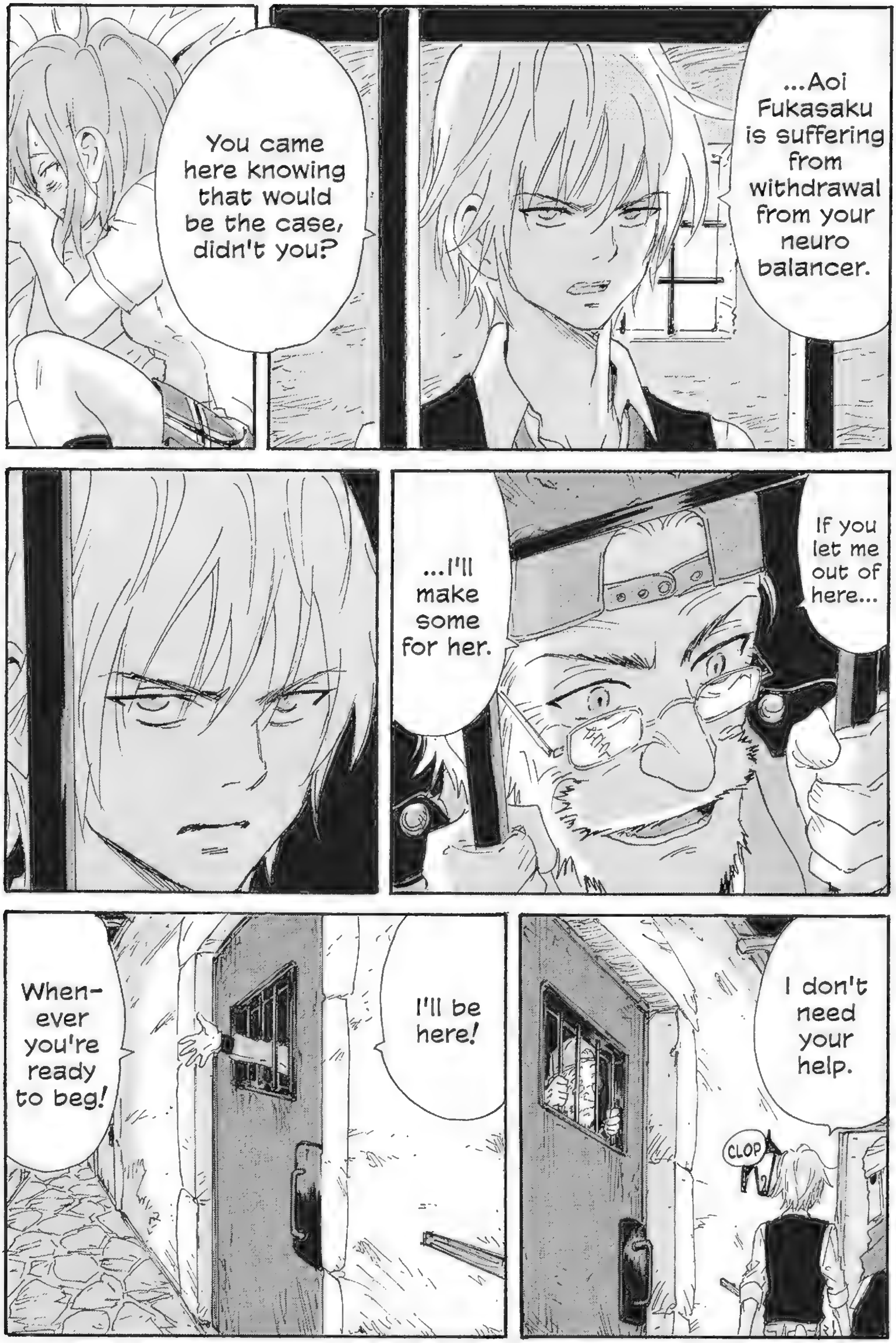

Data ...
FILE
DATA FOR TRANSMISSION
...for transmission?
...
Transmit ...
TWEET
...to *where?*
MEOW

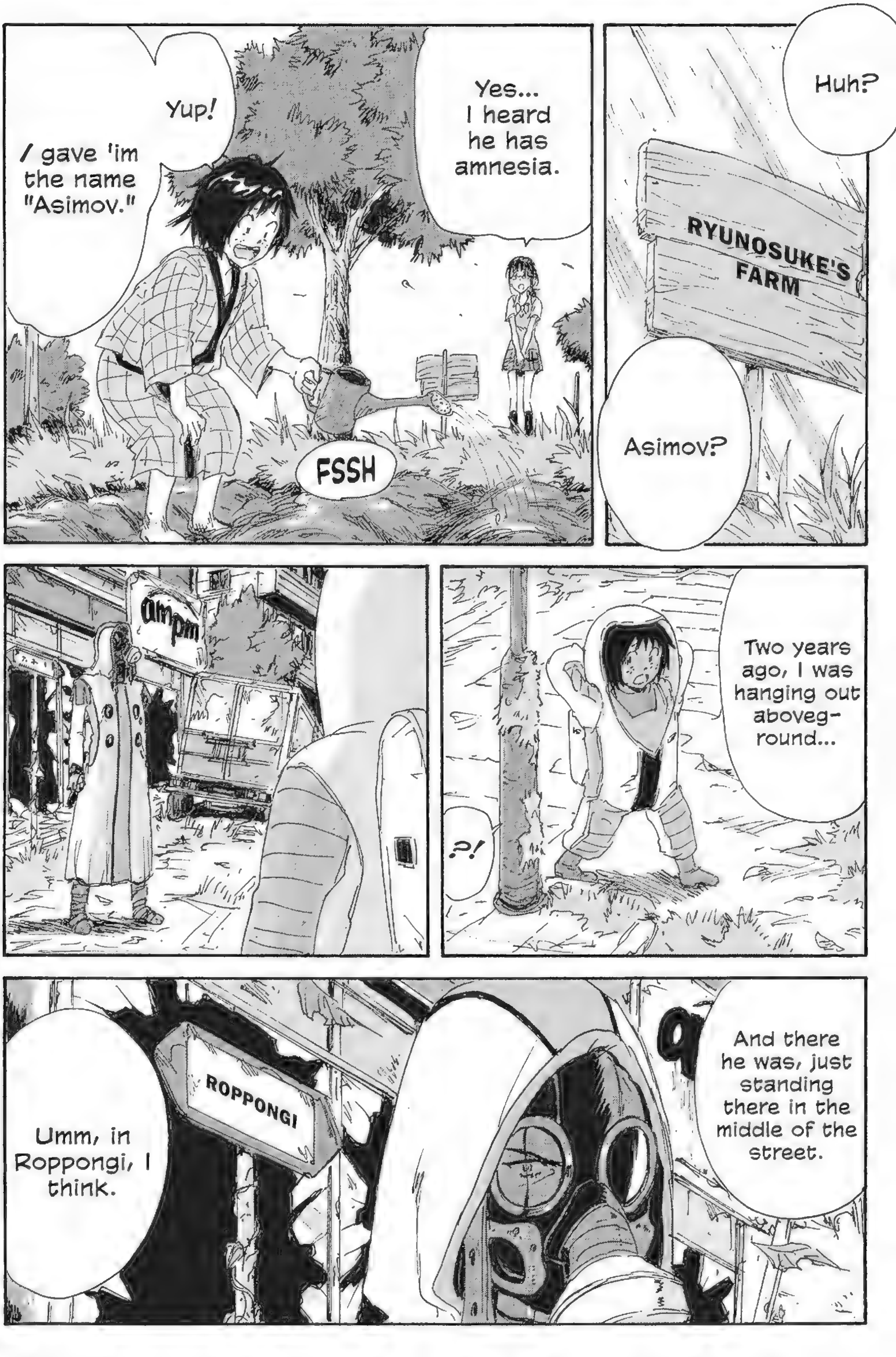

I've been locked up like some Edo period hooligan.
Hrm ...
CLANG

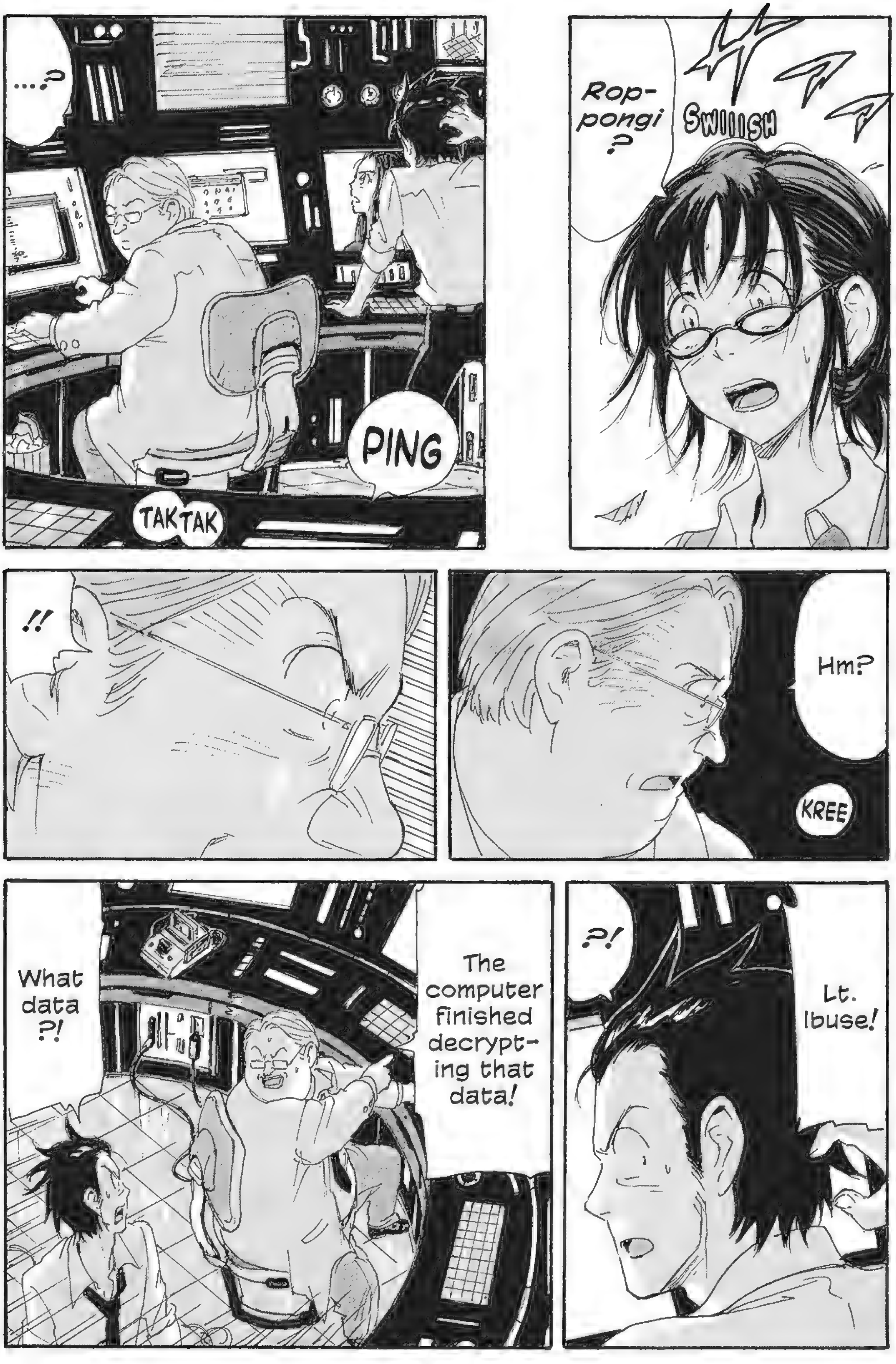
EDO PERIOD (1603-1867): A PERIOD OF ISOLATIONISM IN FEUDAL JAPAN.

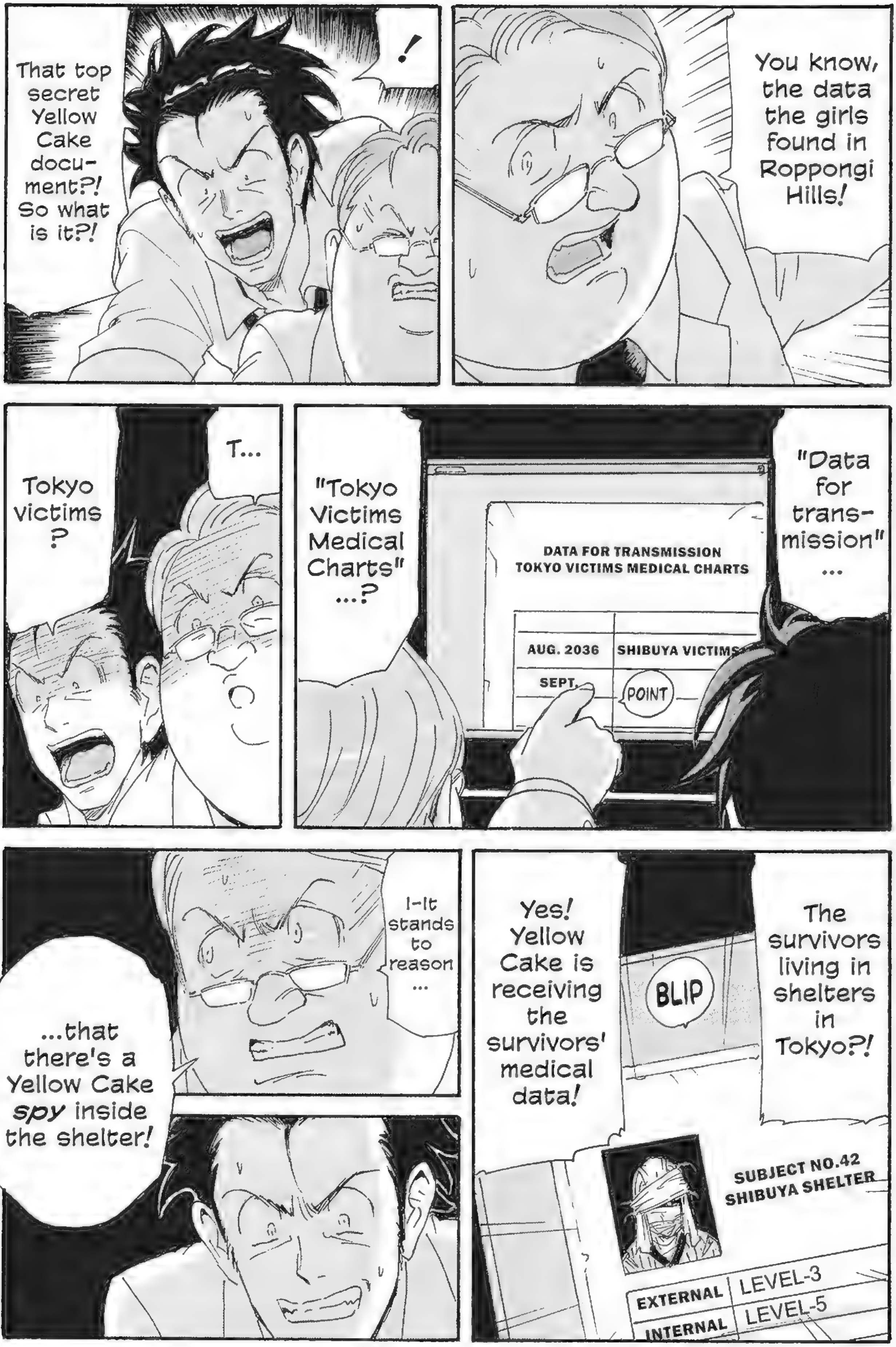

...
Anything to report?
Nothing out of the ordinary.
Good day, Haruto.
SWIP
I'll take some coffee after my meal.

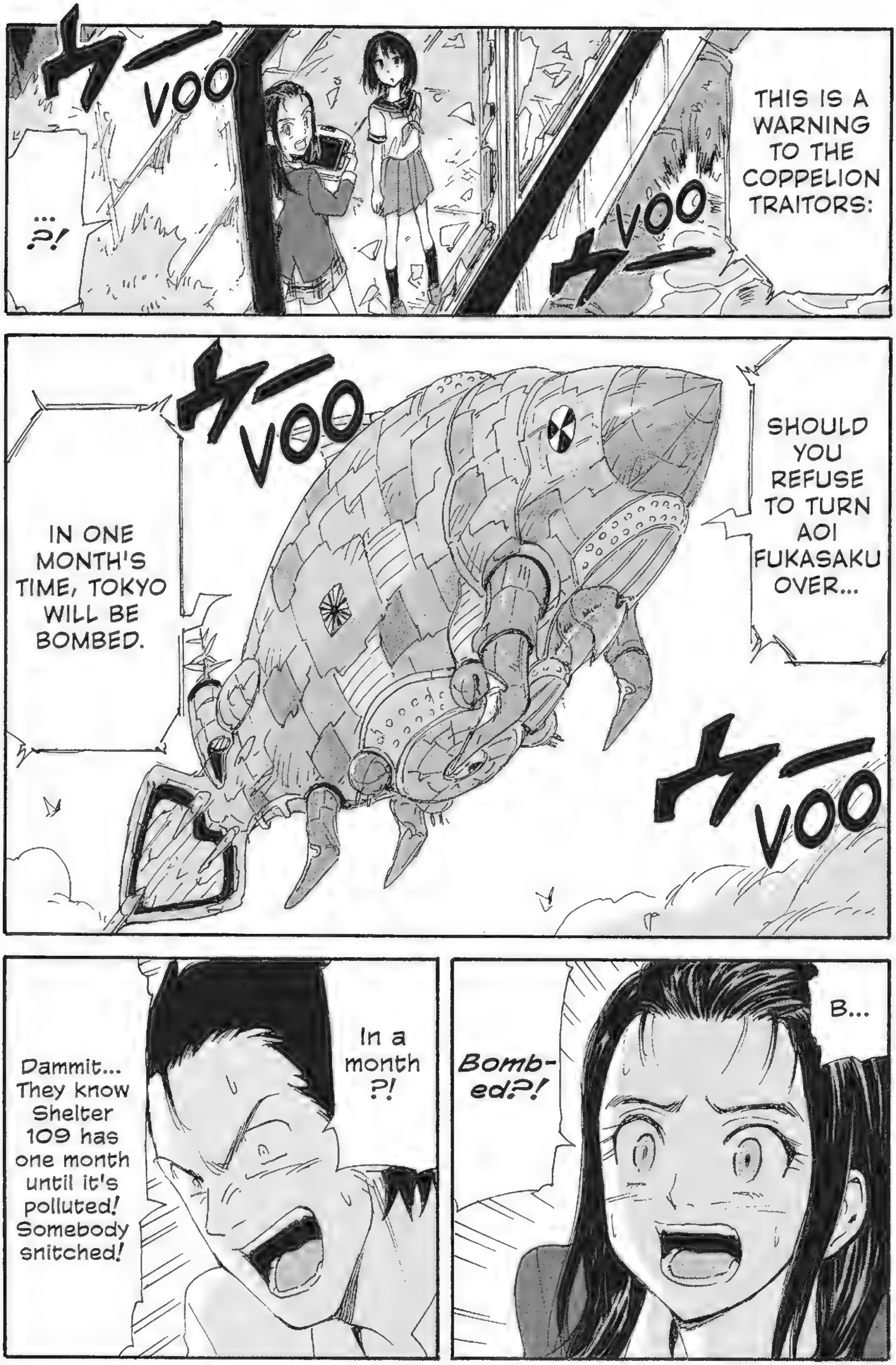

Dr. Coppelius.
Why are you here?
You should have known...
...how easily you'd be caught if you came alone.
Why, I only wish to *help* you, Haruto!
World peace is at stake should the government get their hands on Aoi Fukasaku!
They want to *militarize* the Coppelion, you see!
...
And?
CLANG
I can keep Aoi Fukasaku under *control!*
We should be joining forces to fight the government, my child!

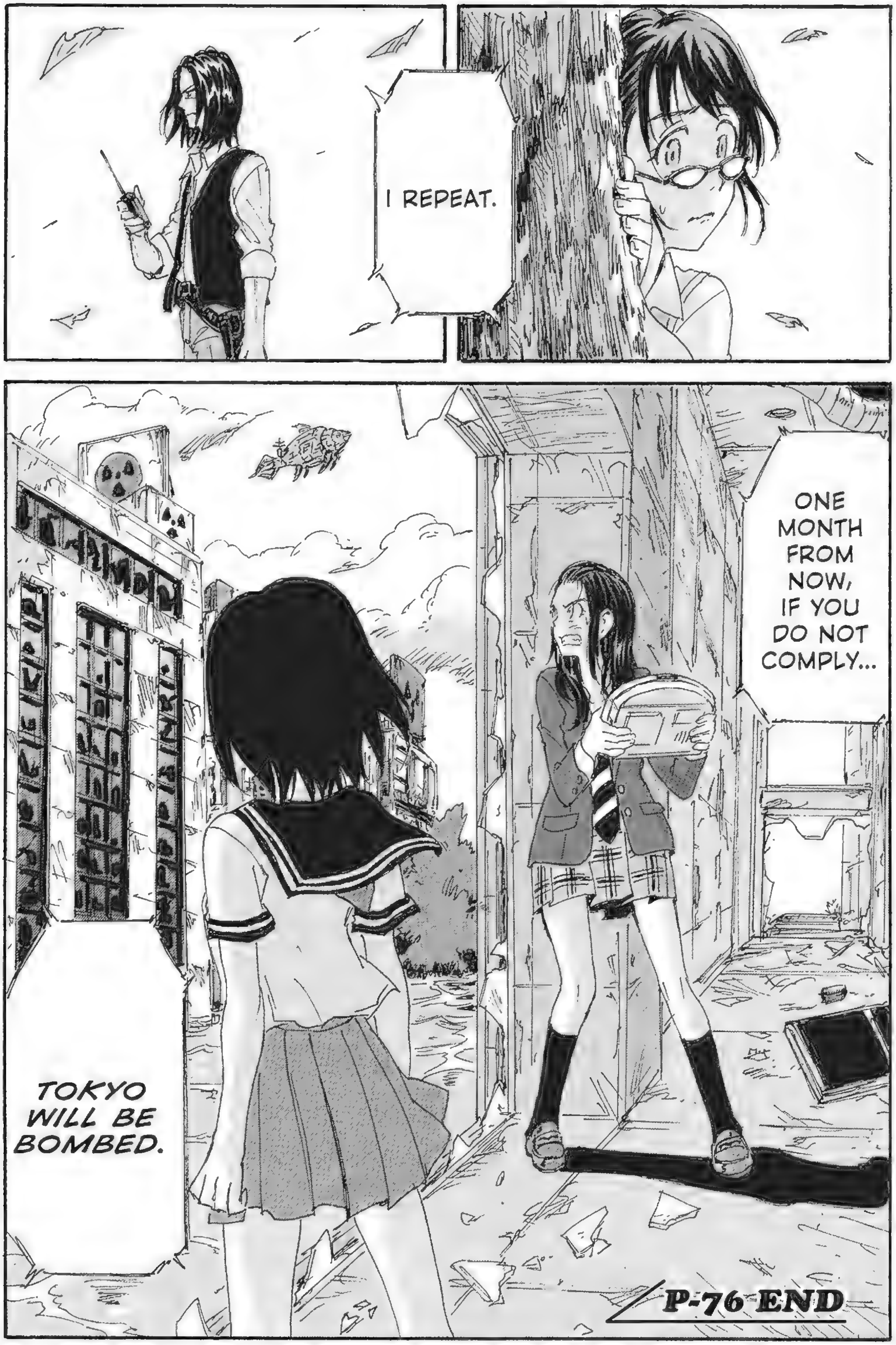

...Aoi Fukasaku is suffering from withdrawal from your neuro balancer.
You came here knowing that would be the case, didn't you?
If you let me out of here...
...I'll make some for her.
I don't need your help.
CLOP
I'll be here!
Whenever you're ready to beg!

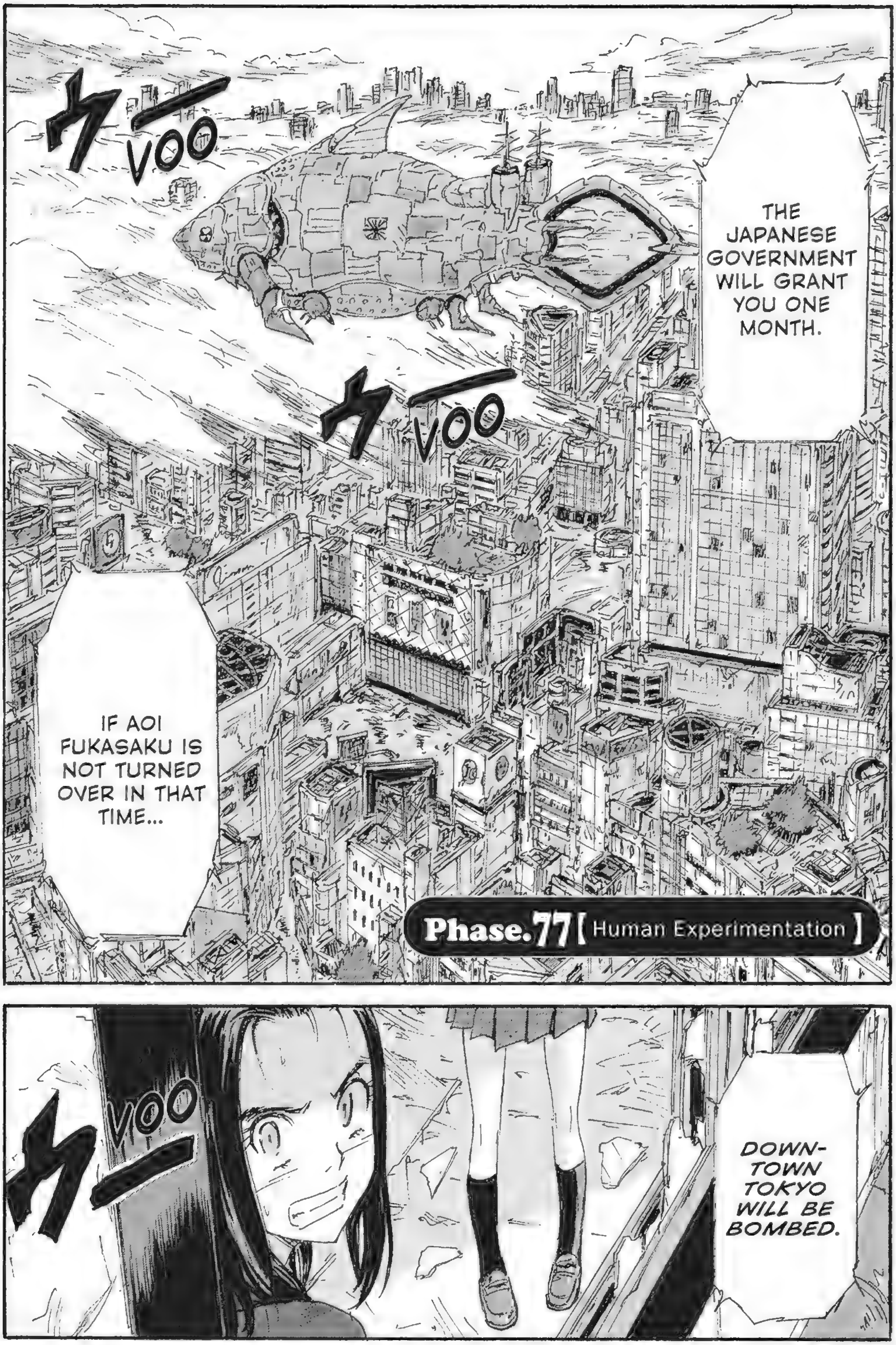

Yup!
I gave 'im the name "Asimov."
Yes... I heard he has amnesia.
FSSH
Huh?
RYUNOSUKE'S FARM
Asimov?
ampm
Two years ago, I was hanging out aboveground...
?!
ROPPONGI
Umm, in Roppongi, I think.
And there he was, just standing there in the middle of the street.


Rop-pongi?
SWIIISH
...?
TAKTAK
PING
Hm?
KREE
!!
Lt. Ibuse!
?!
The computer finished decrypting that data!
What data?!


You know, the data the girls found in Roppongi Hills!
!
That top secret Yellow Cake document?! So what is it?!
"Data for transmission"...
DATA FOR TRANSMISSION
TOKYO VICTIMS MEDICAL CHARTS
AUG. 2036
SHIBUYA VICTIMS
SEPT.
POINT
"Tokyo Victims Medical Charts"...?
T...
Tokyo victims?
The survivors living in shelters in Tokyo?!
BLIP
Yes! Yellow Cake is receiving the survivors' medical data!
SUBJECT NO.42
SHIBUYA SHELTER
EXTERNAL
LEVEL-3
INTERNAL
LEVEL-5
I-It stands to reason...
...that there's a Yellow Cake *spy* inside the shelter!

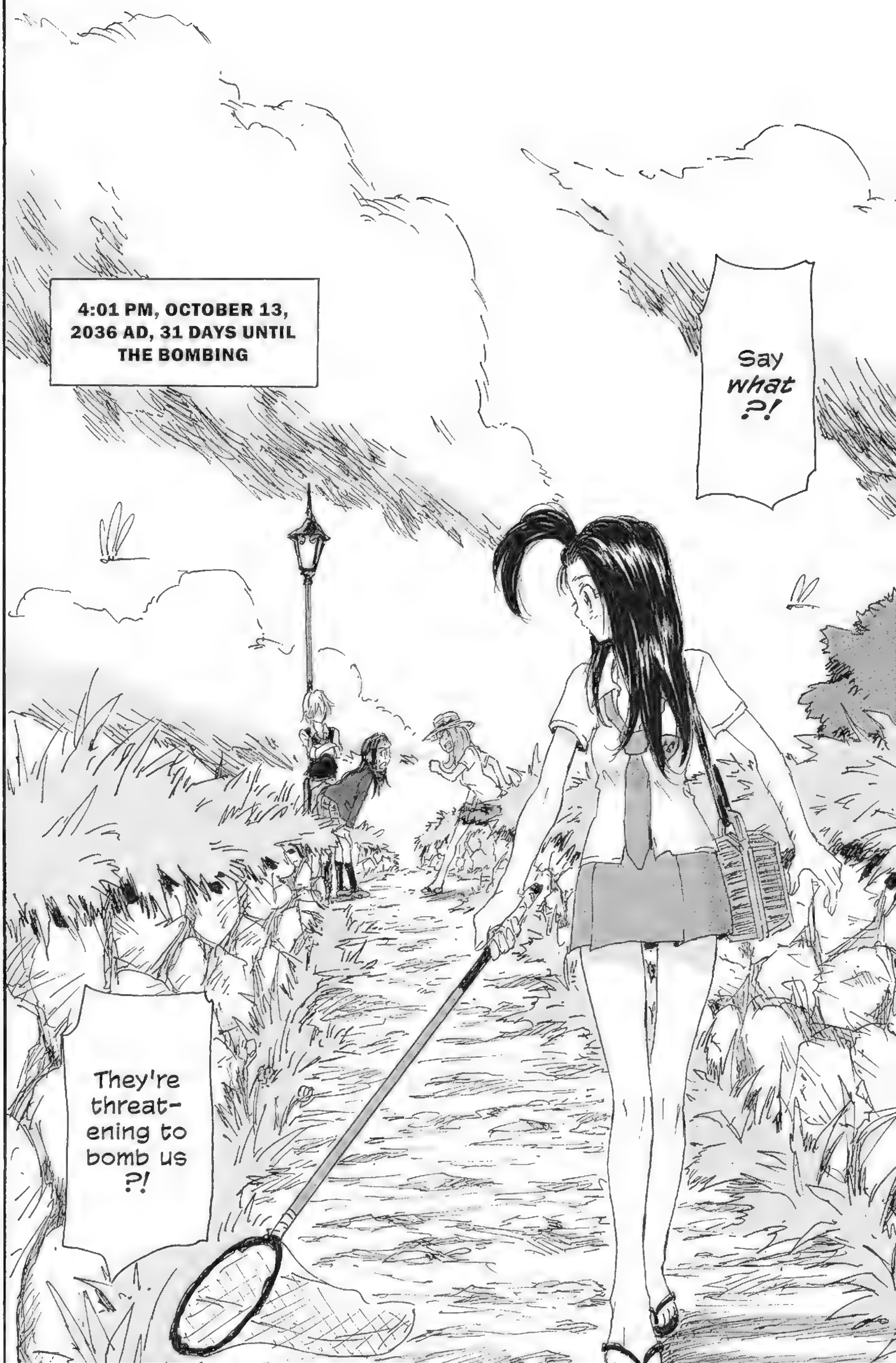

THIS IS A WARNING TO THE COPPELION TRAITORS:
VOO
VOO
...?!
SHOULD YOU REFUSE TO TURN AOI FUKASAKU OVER...
VOO
IN ONE MONTH'S TIME, TOKYO WILL BE BOMBED.
VOO
B...
Bomb-ed?!
In a month?!
Dammit... They know Shelter 109 has one month until it's polluted! Somebody snitched!

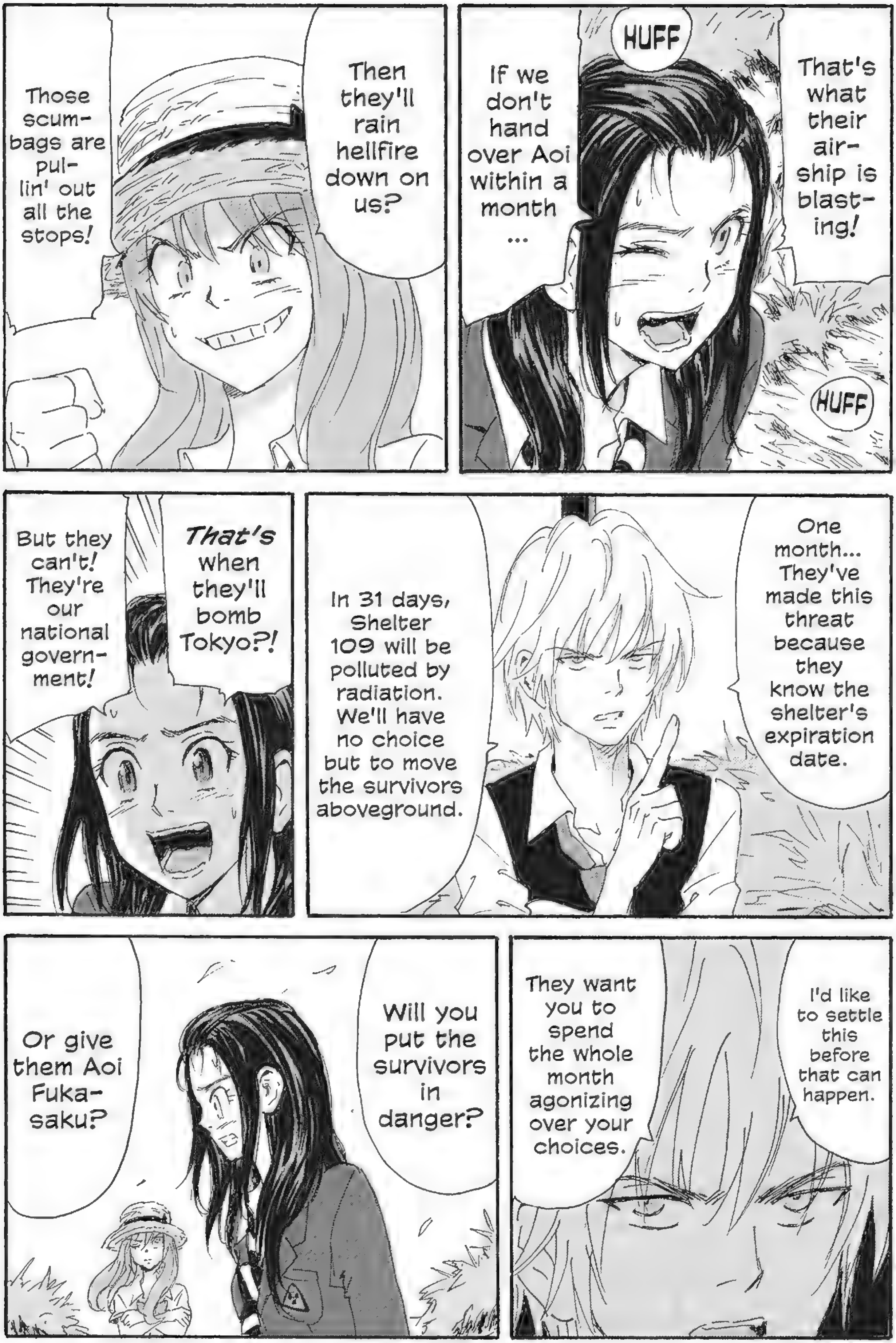

I REPEAT.
ONE MONTH FROM NOW, IF YOU DO NOT COMPLY...
TOKYO WILL BE BOMBED.
P-76 END

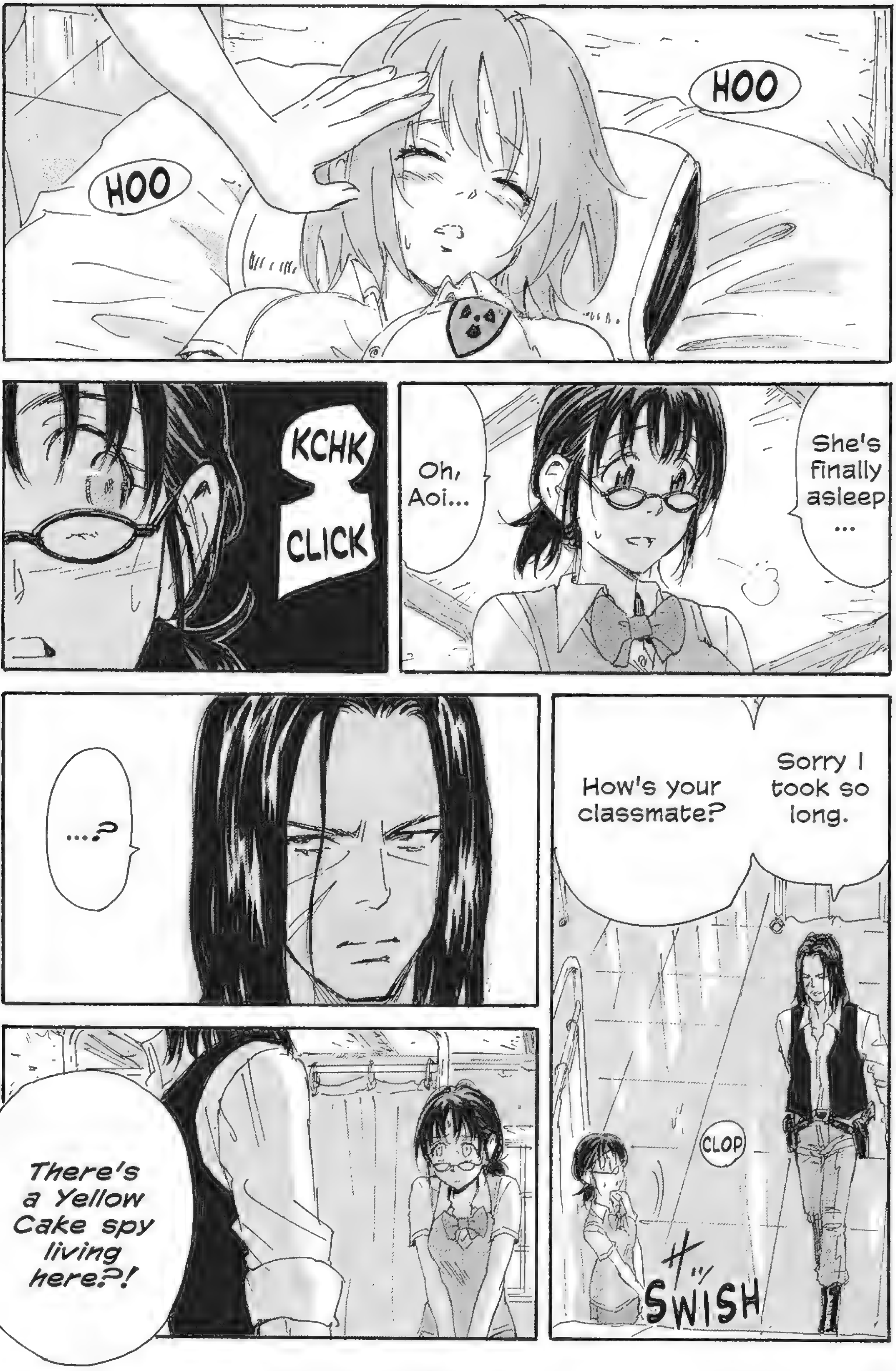


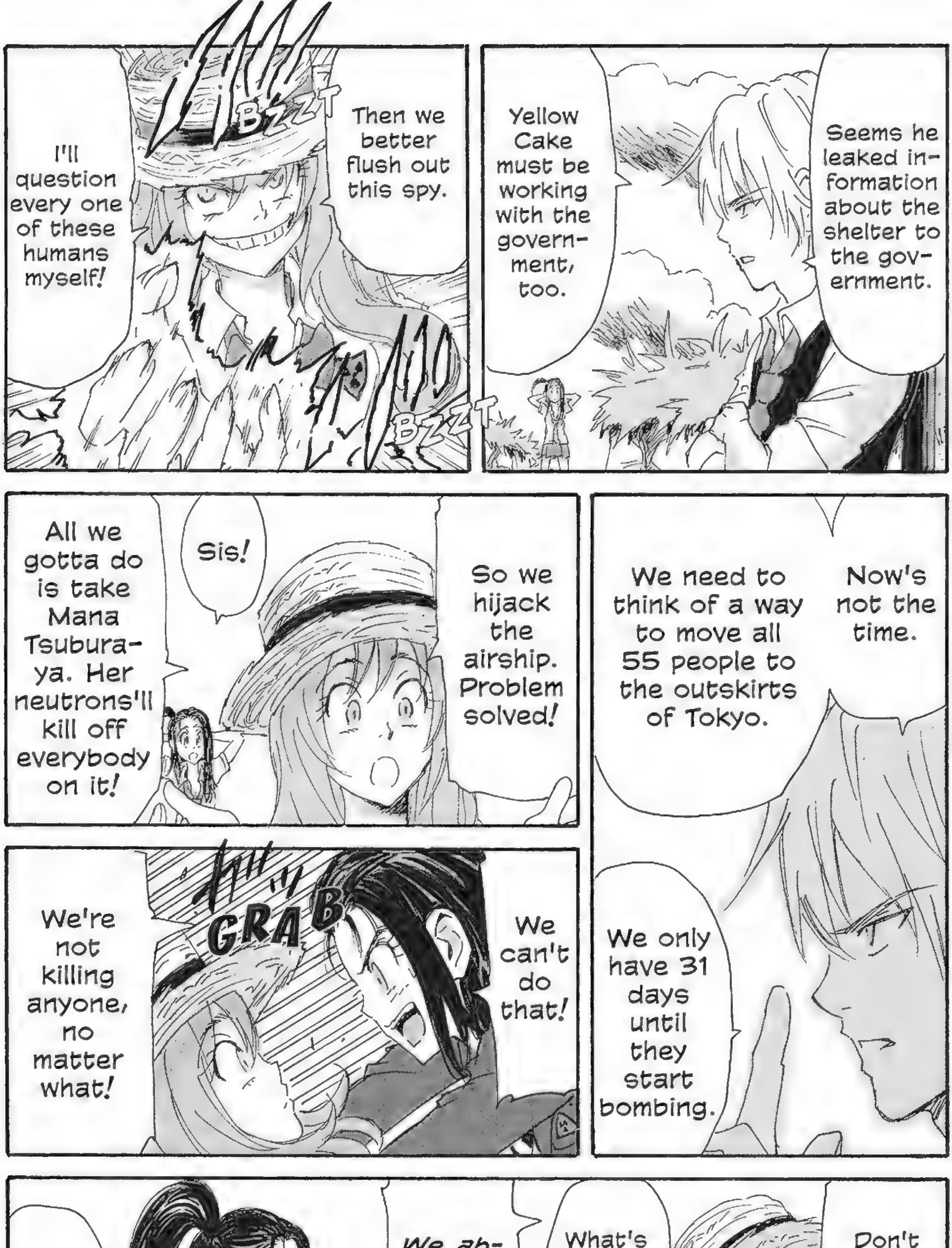
Phase.77 [Human Experimentation]

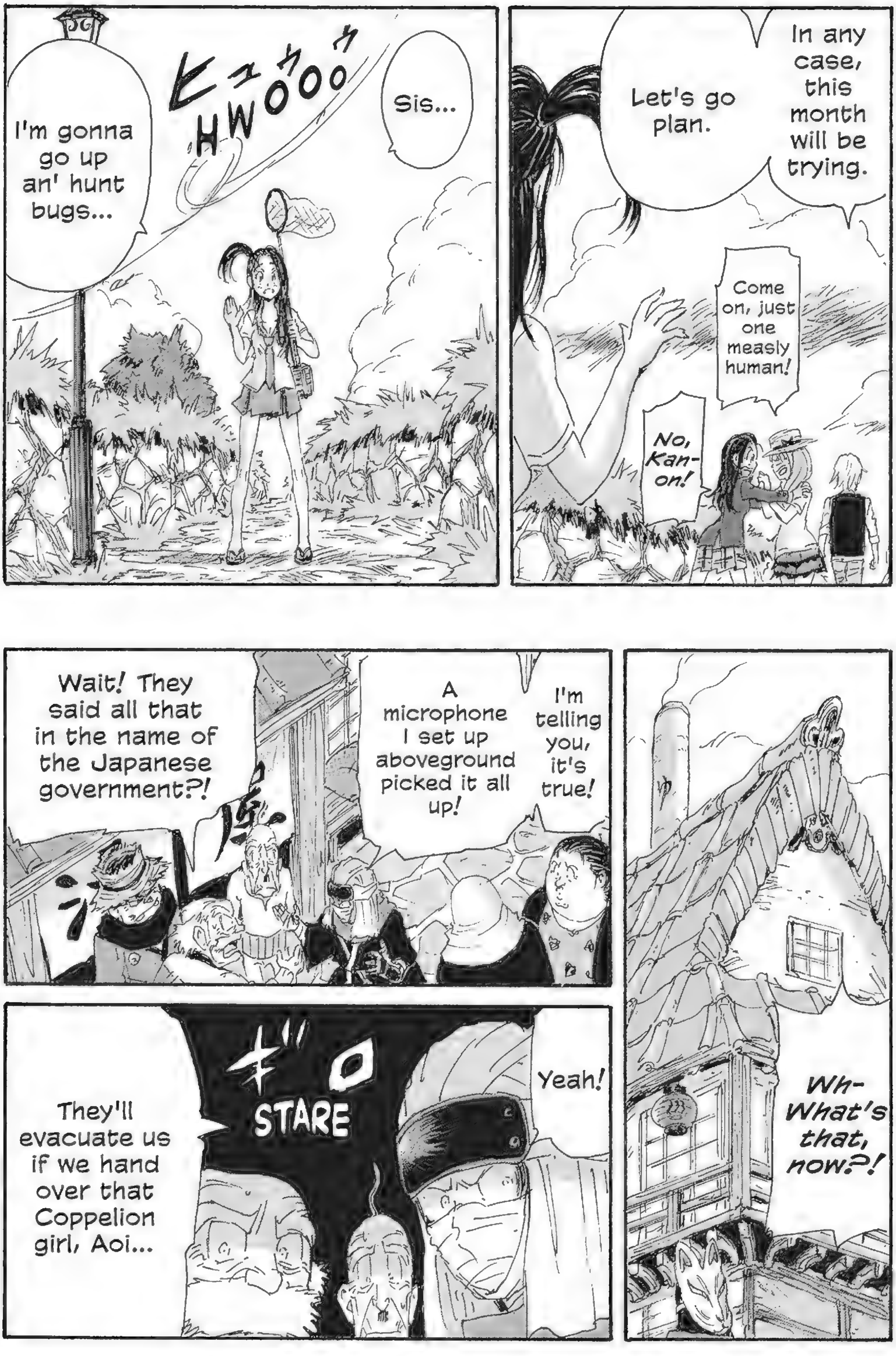
THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT WILL GRANT YOU ONE MONTH.
VOO
VOO
IF AOI FUKASAKU IS NOT TURNED OVER IN THAT TIME...
DOWNTOWN TOKYO WILL BE BOMBED.
VOO

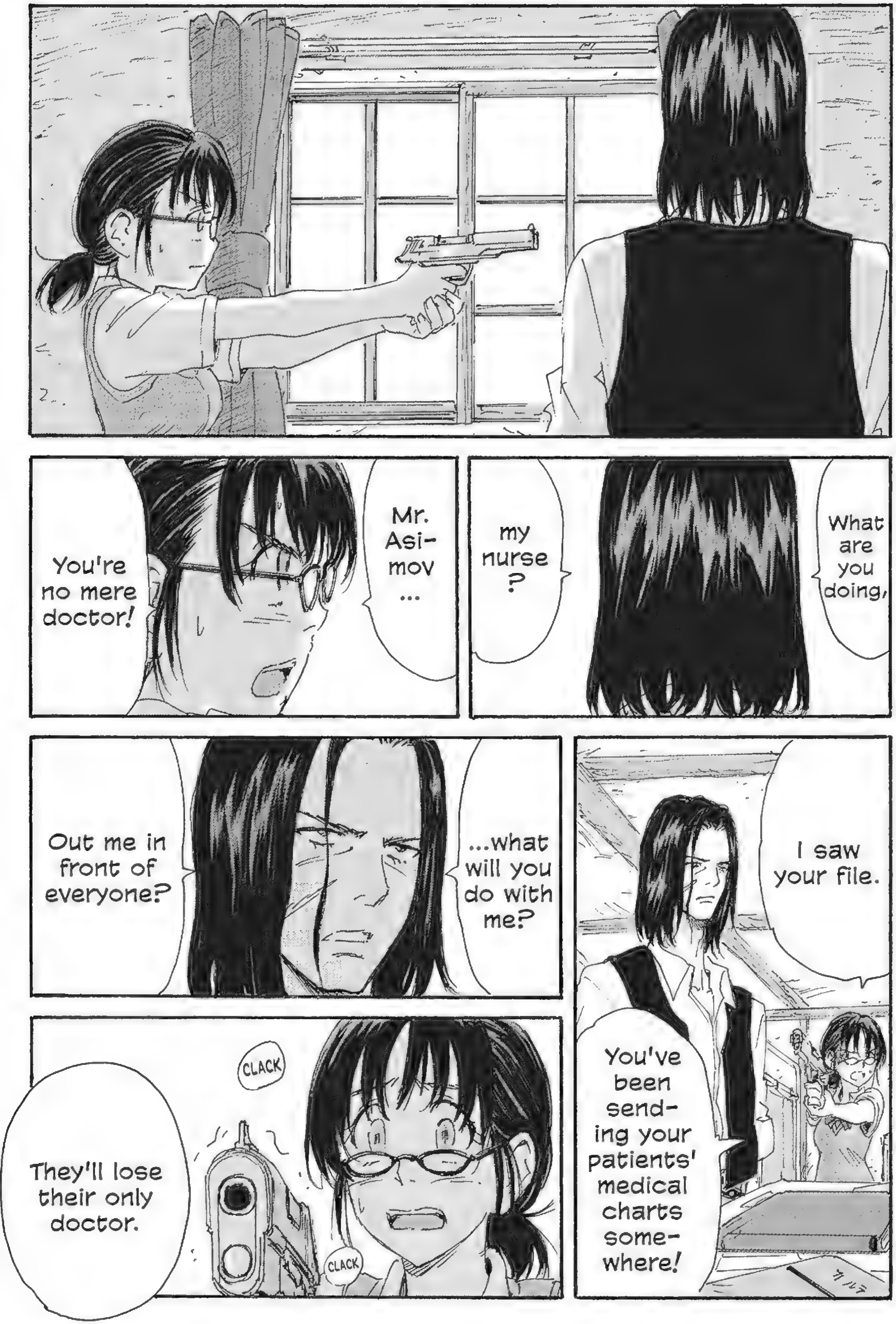

4:01 PM, OCTOBER 13, 2036 AD, 31 DAYS UNTIL THE BOMBING
Say *what* ?!
They're threatening to bomb us ?!

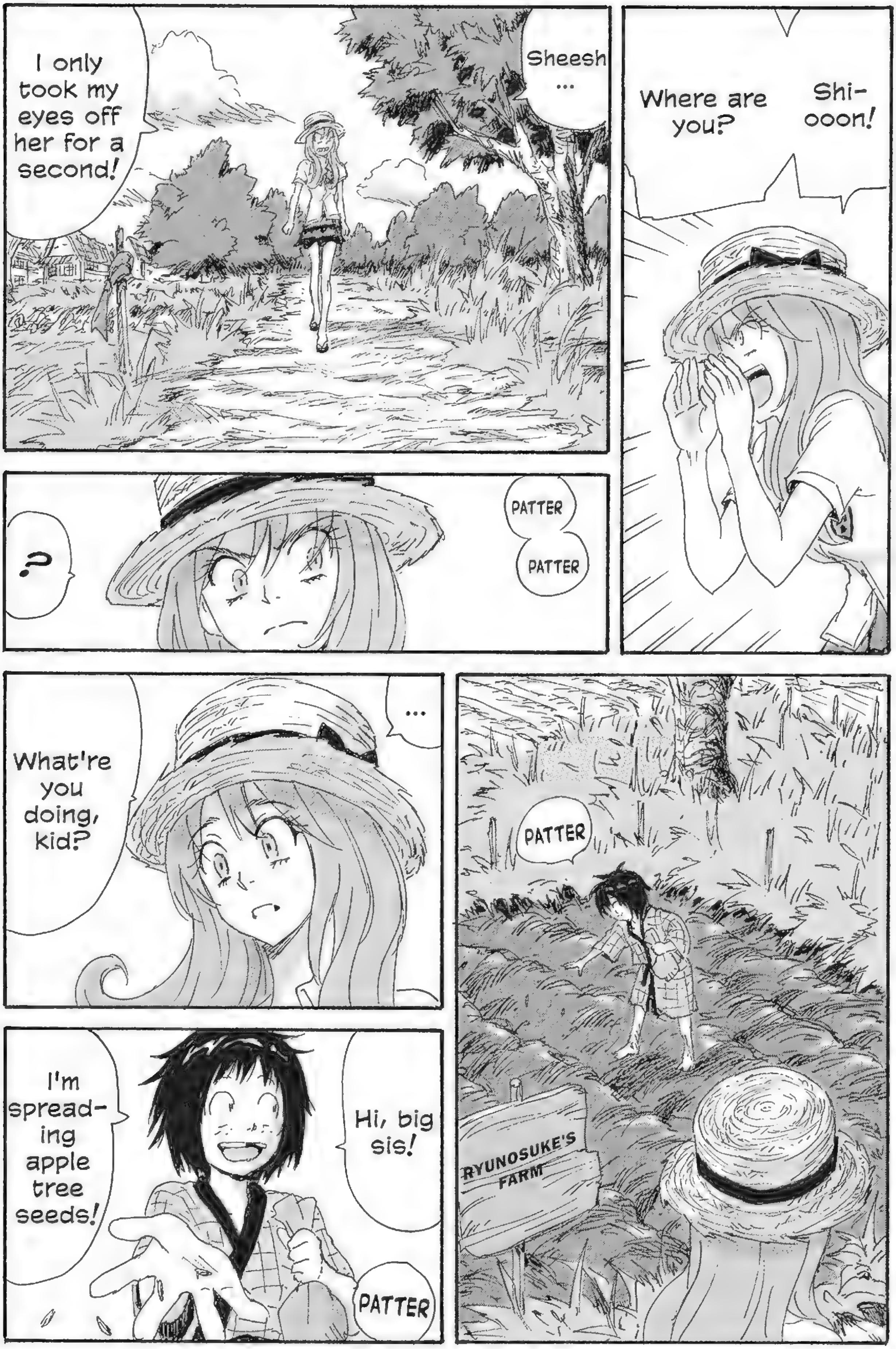

HUFF
That's what their airship is blasting!
If we don't hand over Aoi within a month ...
HUFF
Then they'll rain hellfire down on us?
Those scumbags are pullin' out all the stops!
One month... They've made this threat because they know the shelter's expiration date.
In 31 days, Shelter 109 will be polluted by radiation. We'll have no choice but to move the survivors aboveground.
That's when they'll bomb Tokyo?!
But they can't! They're our national government!
I'd like to settle this before that can happen.
They want you to spend the whole month agonizing over your choices.
Will you put the survivors in danger?
Or give them Aoi Fukasaku?

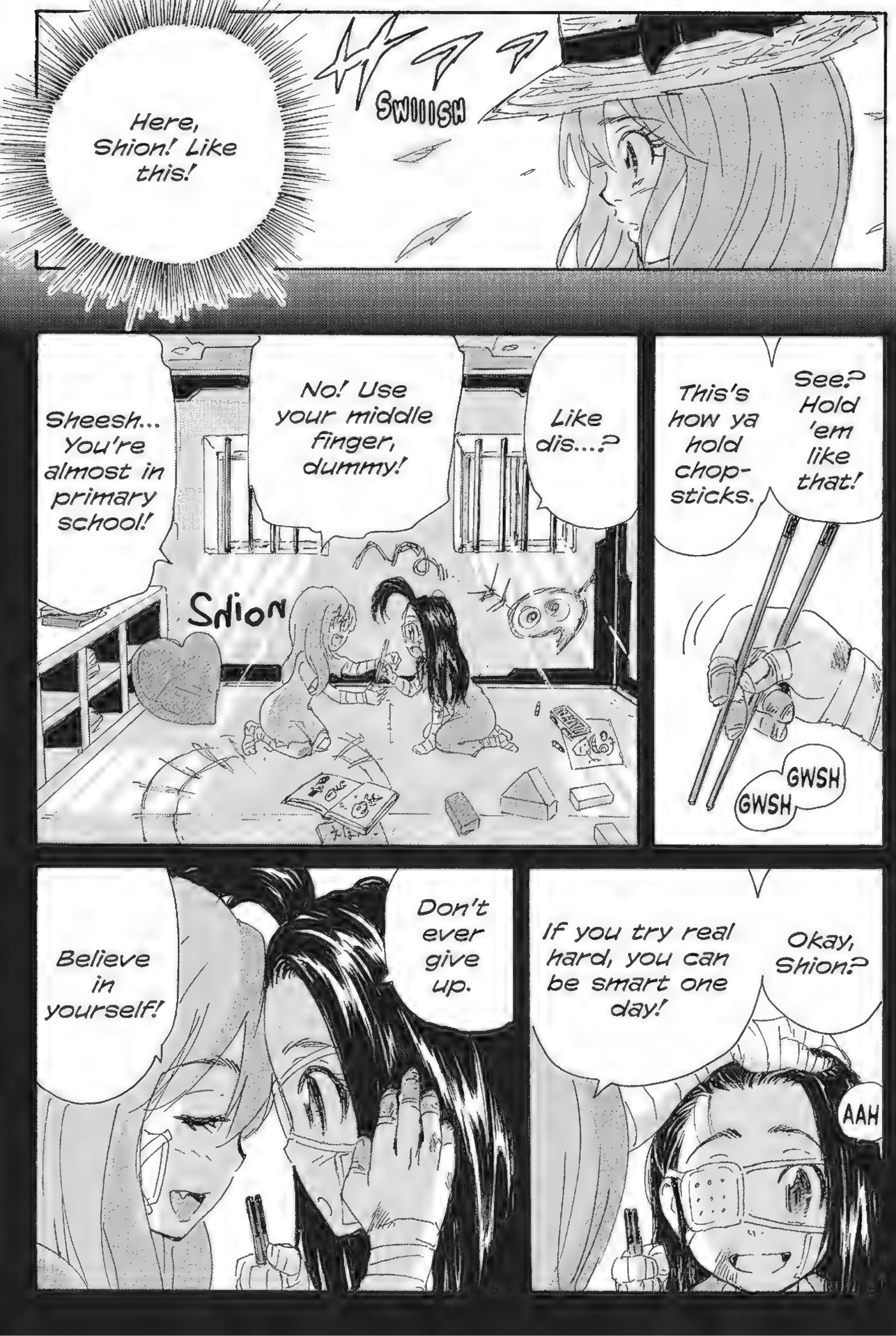

HOO
HOO
She's finally asleep ...
Oh, Aoi...
KCHK
CLICK
Sorry I took so long.
How's your classmate?
CLOP
SWISH
...?
There's a Yellow Cake spy living here?!


Seems he leaked information about the shelter to the government.
Yellow Cake must be working with the government, too.
BZZT
Then we better flush out this spy.
I'll question every one of these humans myself!
BZZT
Now's not the time.
We need to think of a way to move all 55 people to the outskirts of Tokyo.
We only have 31 days until they start bombing.
So we hijack the airship. Problem solved!
Sis!
All we gotta do is take Mana Tsuburaya. Her neutrons'll kill off everybody on it!
We can't do that!
GRAB
We're not killing anyone, no matter what!
Don't be such a stiff, girl!
What's one or two humans matter?
We absolutely can't!
Sis! Sis, listen!

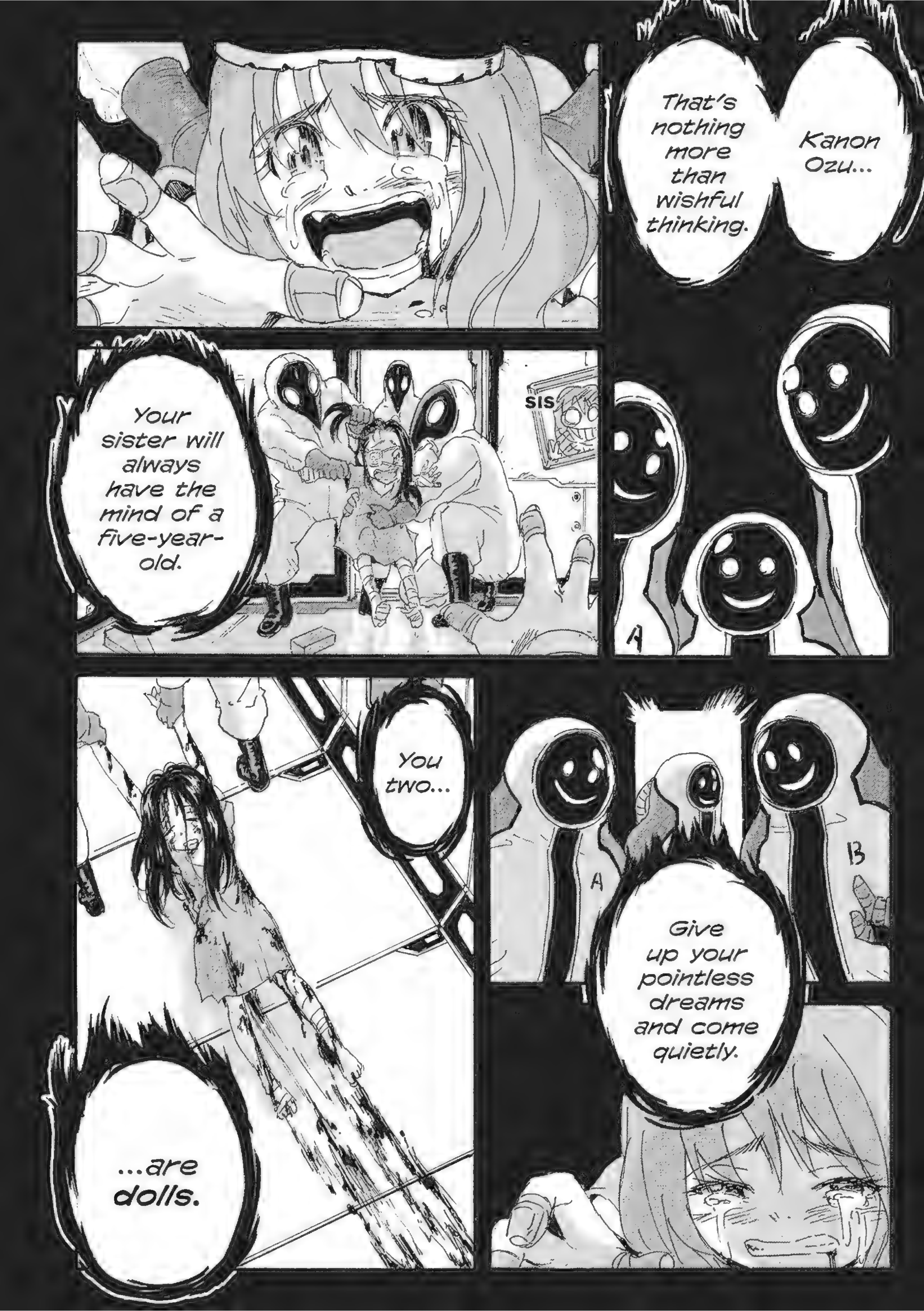

In any case, this month will be trying.
Let's go plan.
Come on, just one measly human!
No, Kan-on!
Sis...
ヒュゥゥ
HWOOO
I'm gonna go up an' hunt bugs...
Wh-What's that, now?!
I'm telling you, it's true!
A microphone I set up aboveground picked it all up!
Wait! They said all that in the name of the Japanese government?!
Yeah!
ギロ
STARE
They'll evacuate us if we hand over that Coppelion girl, Aoi...

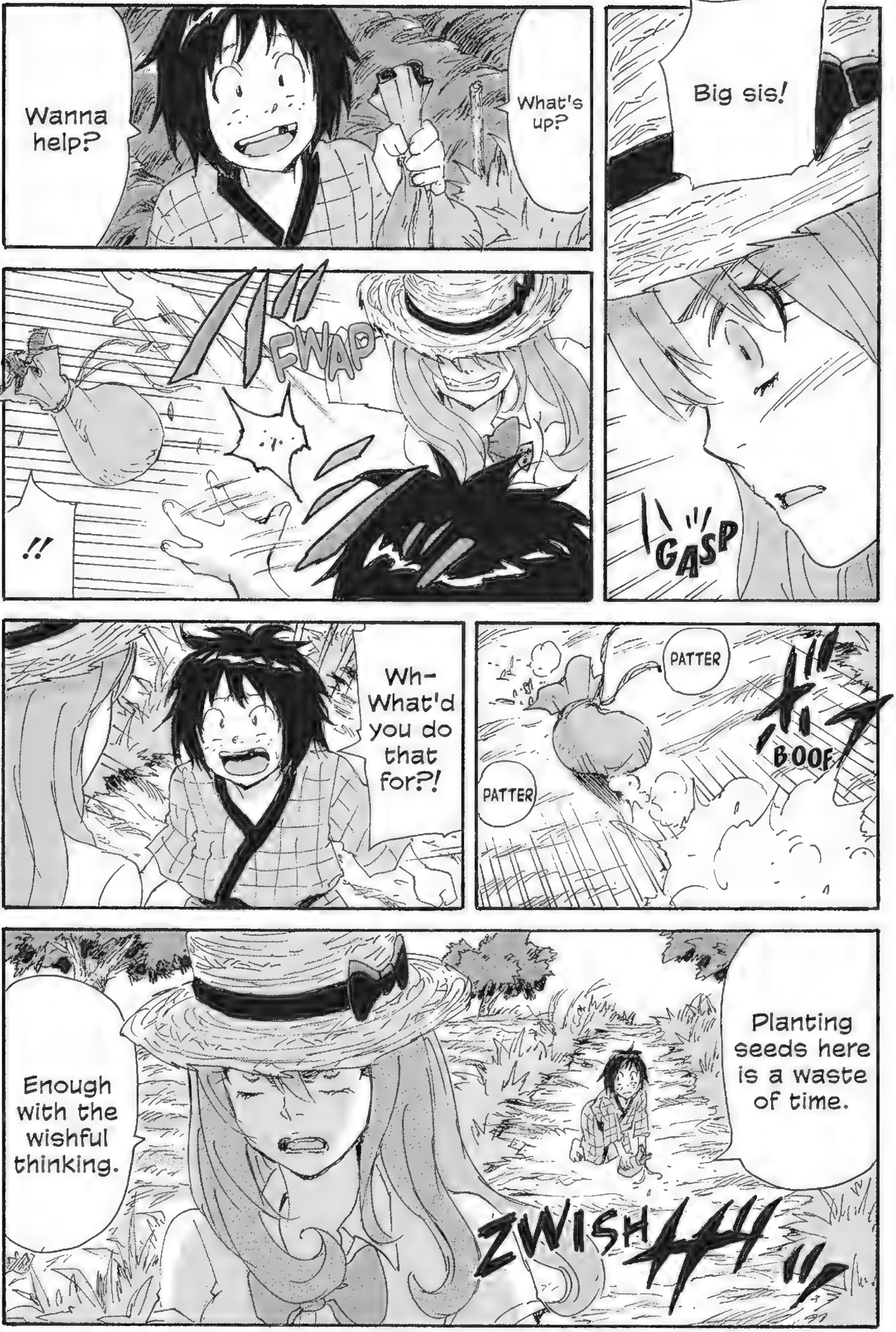

What are you doing,
my nurse?
Mr. Asimov...
You're no mere doctor!
I saw your file.
You've been sending your patients' medical charts somewhere!
カルテ
...what will you do with me?
Out me in front of everyone?
CLACK
CLACK
They'll lose their only doctor.

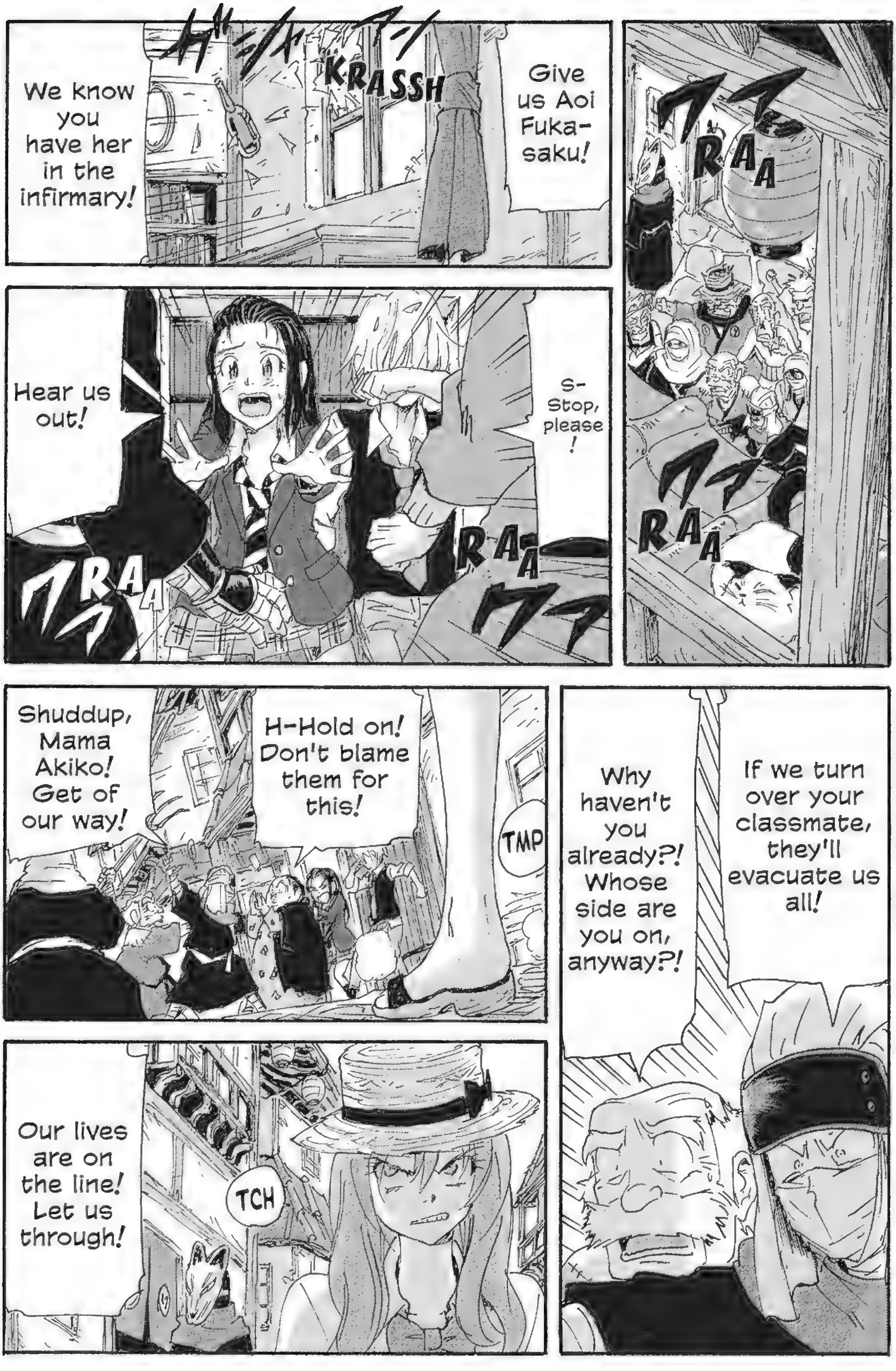

Sheesh…
I only took my eyes off her for a second!
Shi-ooon!
Where are you?
PATTER
PATTER
?
PATTER
RYUNOSUKE'S FARM
…
What're you doing, kid?
Hi, big sis!
I'm spreading apple tree seeds!
PATTER

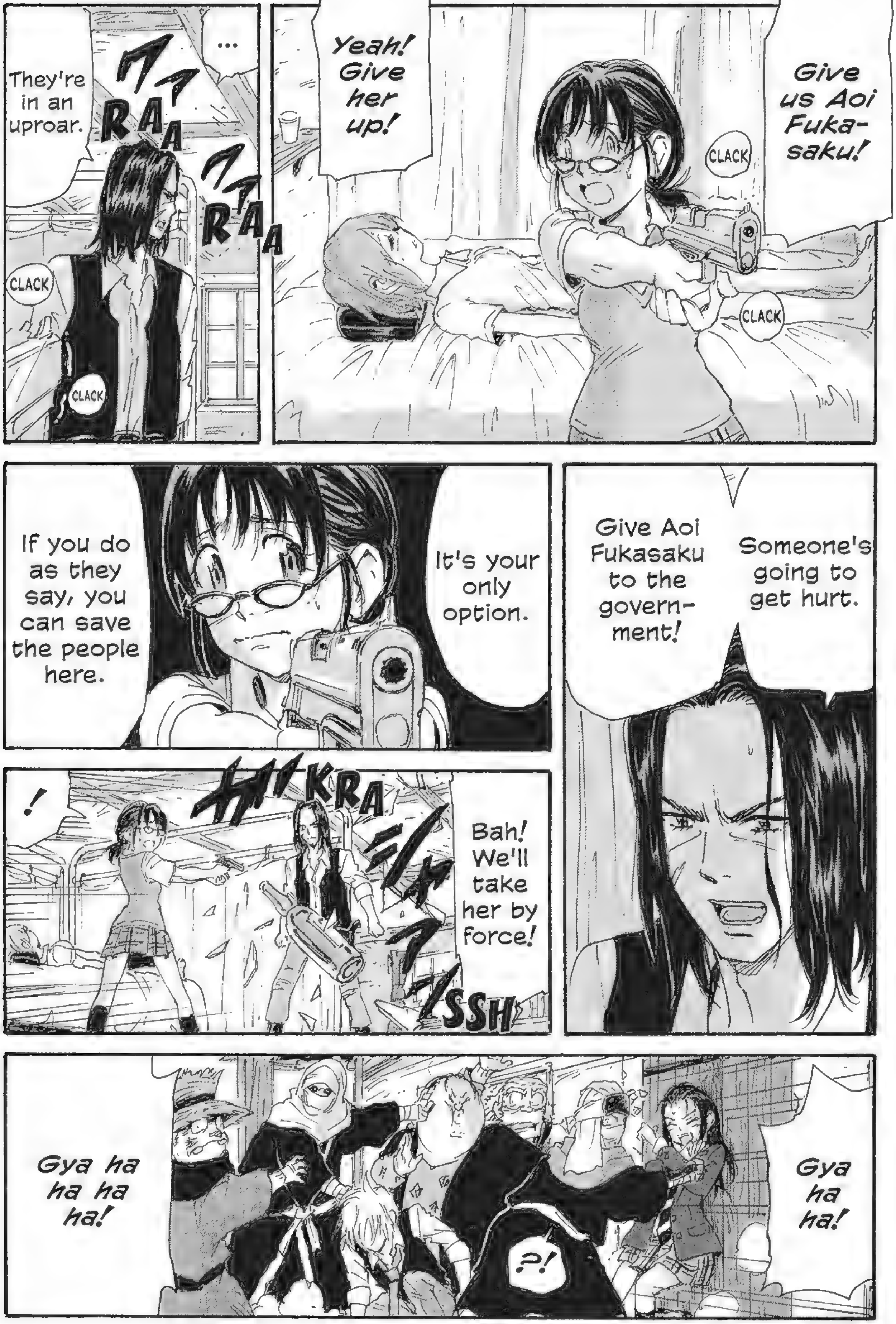


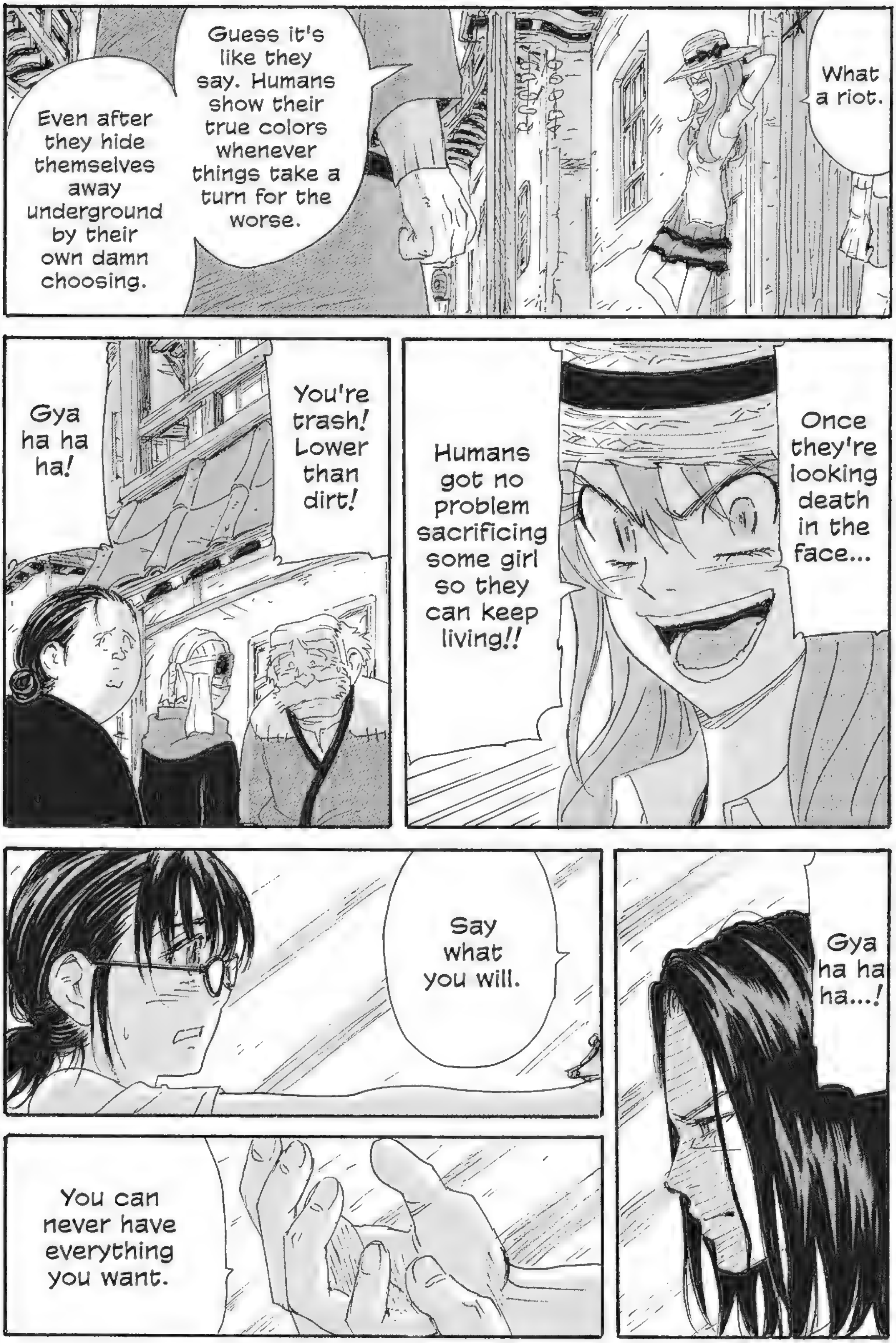
サァァ
SWIIISH
Here, Shion! Like this!
See? Hold 'em like that!
This's how ya hold chop-sticks.
GWSH
GWSH
Like dis...?
No! Use your middle finger, dummy!
Sheesh... You're almost in primary school!
Shion
Okay, Shion?
If you try real hard, you can be smart one day!
AAH
Don't ever give up.
Believe in yourself!

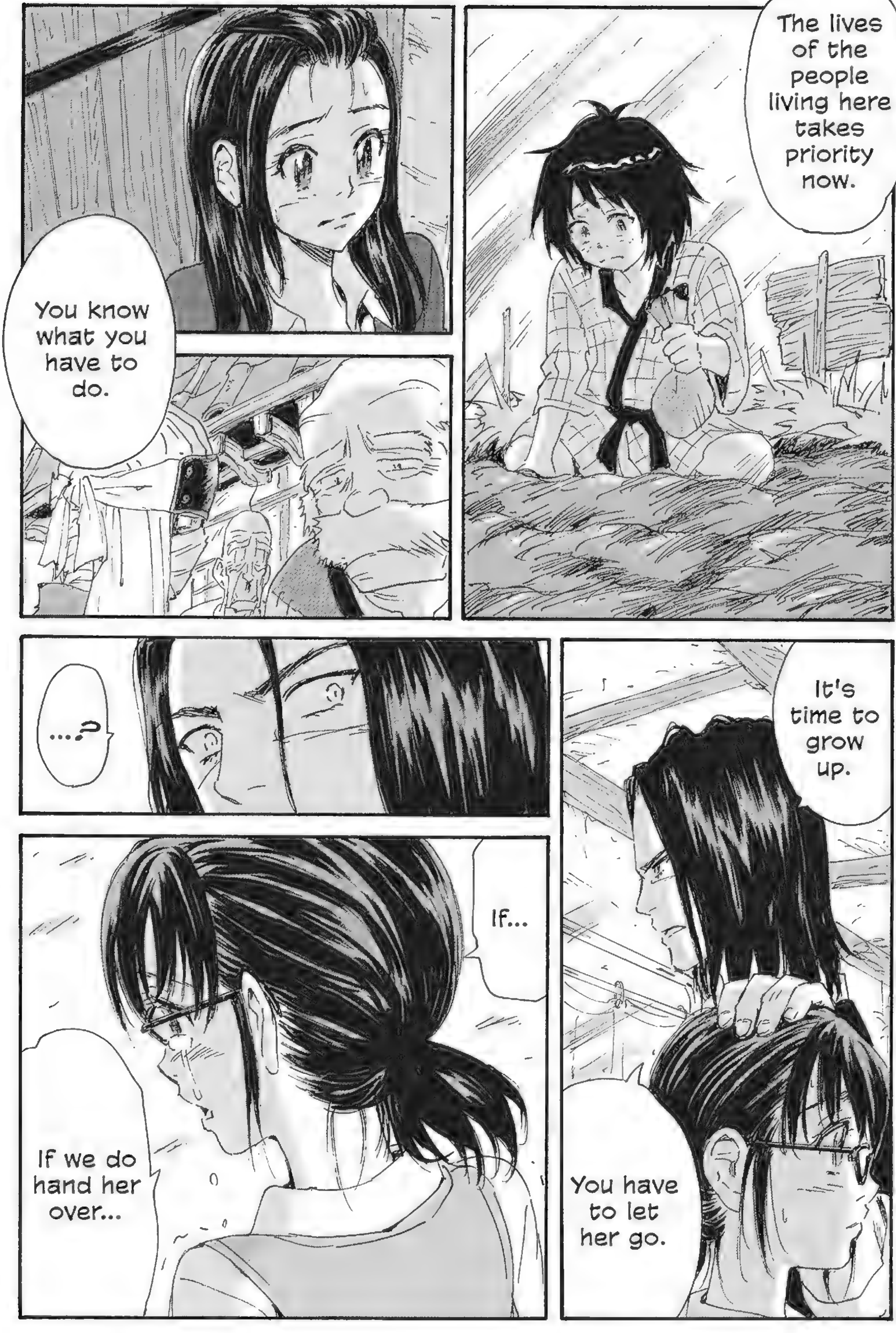

Kanon Ozu...
That's nothing more than wishful thinking.
A
SIS
Your sister will always have the mind of a five-year-old.
A
B
Give up your pointless dreams and come quietly.
You two...
...are **dolls.**

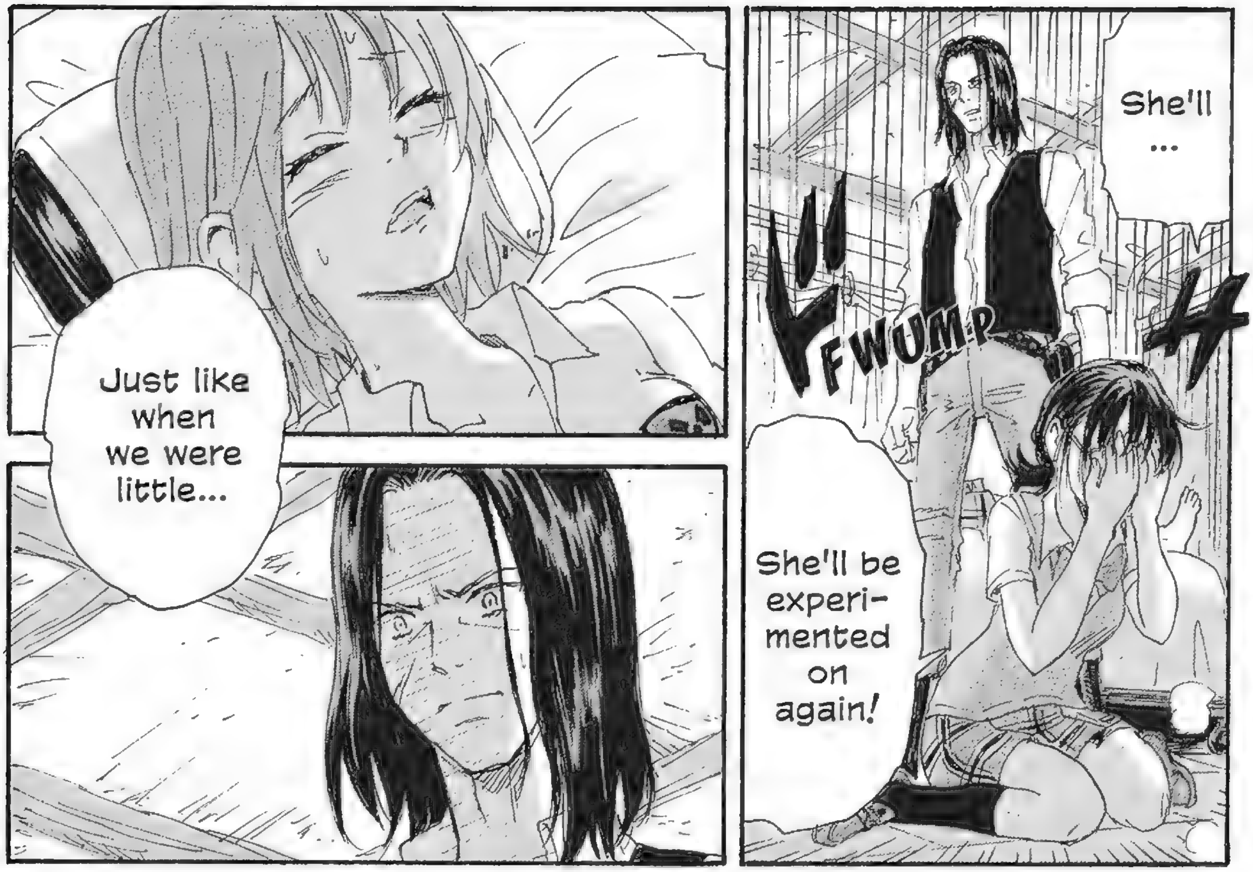

Big sis!
What's up?
Wanna help?
GASP
FWAP
!!
PATTER
PATTER
BOOF
Wh- What'd you do that for?!
Planting seeds here is a waste of time.
Enough with the wishful thinking.
ZWISH

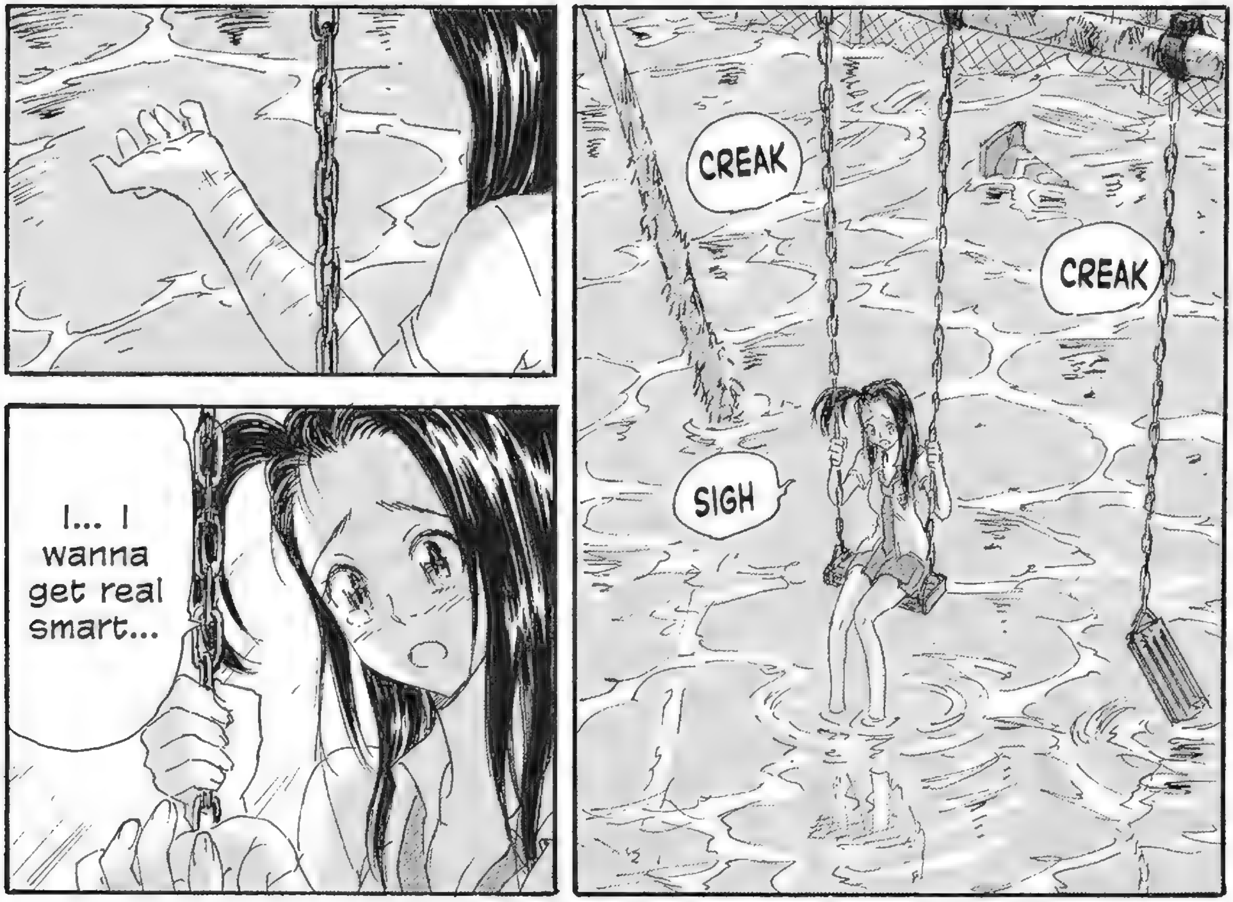

ワー
RAA
ワー
RAA
ガシャーン
KRASSH
Give us Aoi Fukasaku!
We know you have her in the infirmary!
ワー
RAA
S-Stop, please!
Hear us out!
ワー
RAA
If we turn over your classmate, they'll evacuate us all!
Why haven't you already?! Whose side are you on, anyway?!
TMP
H-Hold on! Don't blame them for this!
Shuddup, Mama Akiko! Get of our way!
TCH
Our lives are on the line! Let us through!

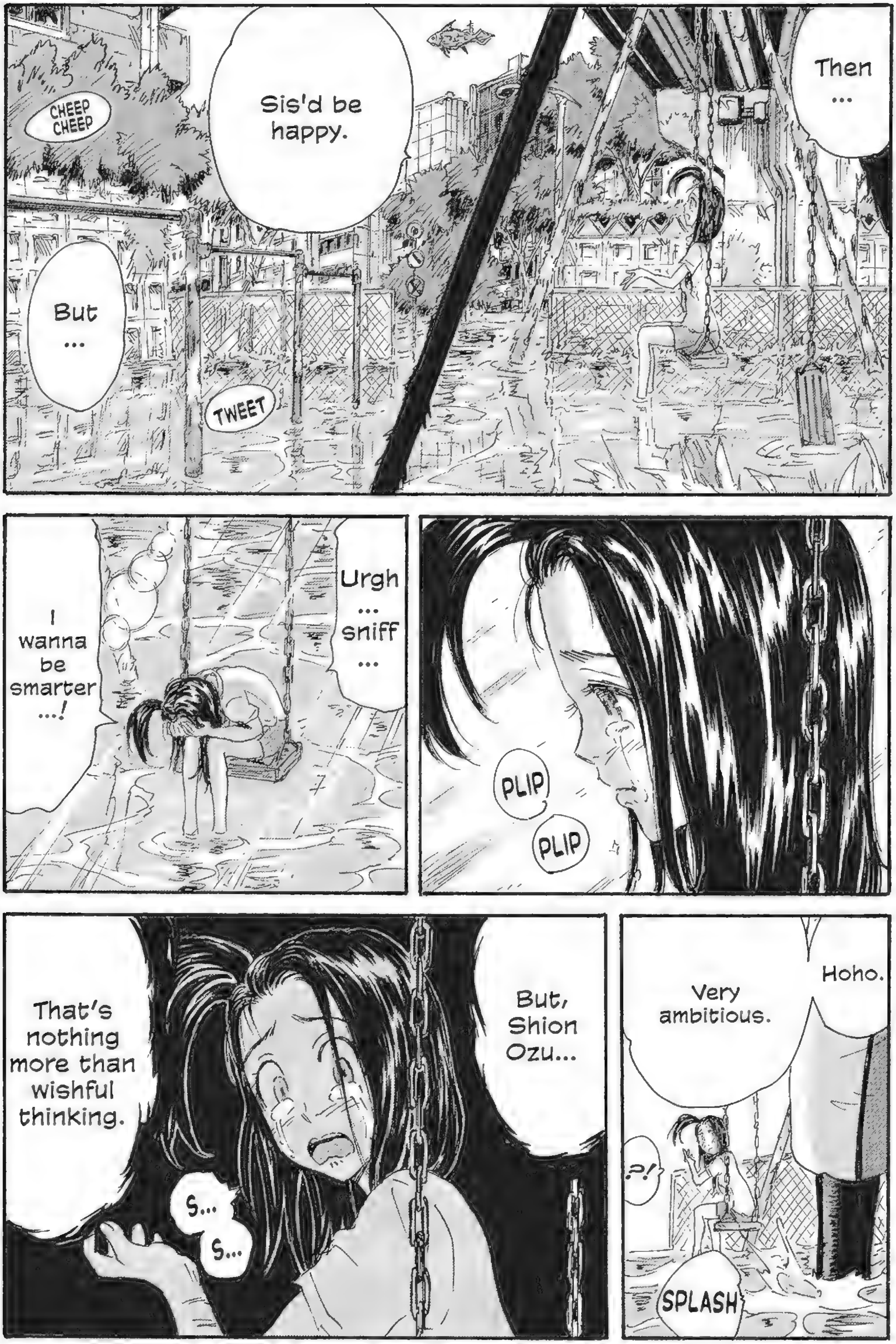

Give us Aoi Fukasaku!
CLACK
CLACK
Yeah! Give her up!
...
They're in an uproar.
RAA RAA
CLACK
CLACK
Someone's going to get hurt.
Give Aoi Fukasaku to the government!
It's your only option.
If you do as they say, you can save the people here.
Bah! We'll take her by force!
KRA
SSH
!
Gya ha ha!
?!
Gya ha ha ha ha!

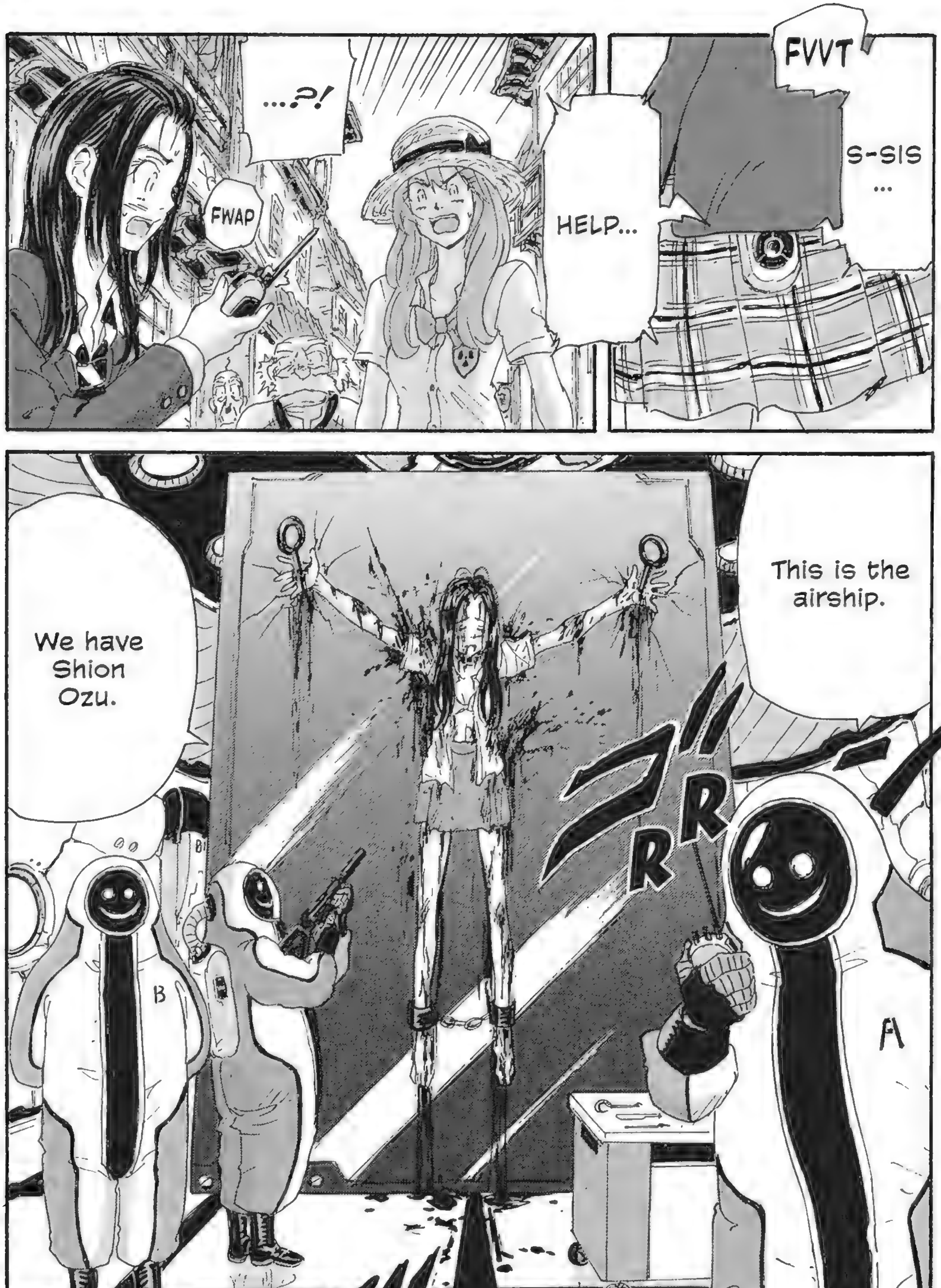

What a riot.
Guess it's like they say. Humans show their true colors whenever things take a turn for the worse.
Even after they hide themselves away underground by their own damn choosing.
Once they're looking death in the face...
Humans got no problem sacrificing some girl so they can keep living!!
You're trash! Lower than dirt!
Gya ha ha ha!
Gya ha ha ha...!
Say what you will.
You can never have everything you want.


The lives of the people living here takes priority now.
You know what you have to do.
It's time to grow up.
You have to let her go.
...?
If...
If we do hand her over...


She'll ...
FWUMP
She'll be experimented on again!
Just like when we were little...

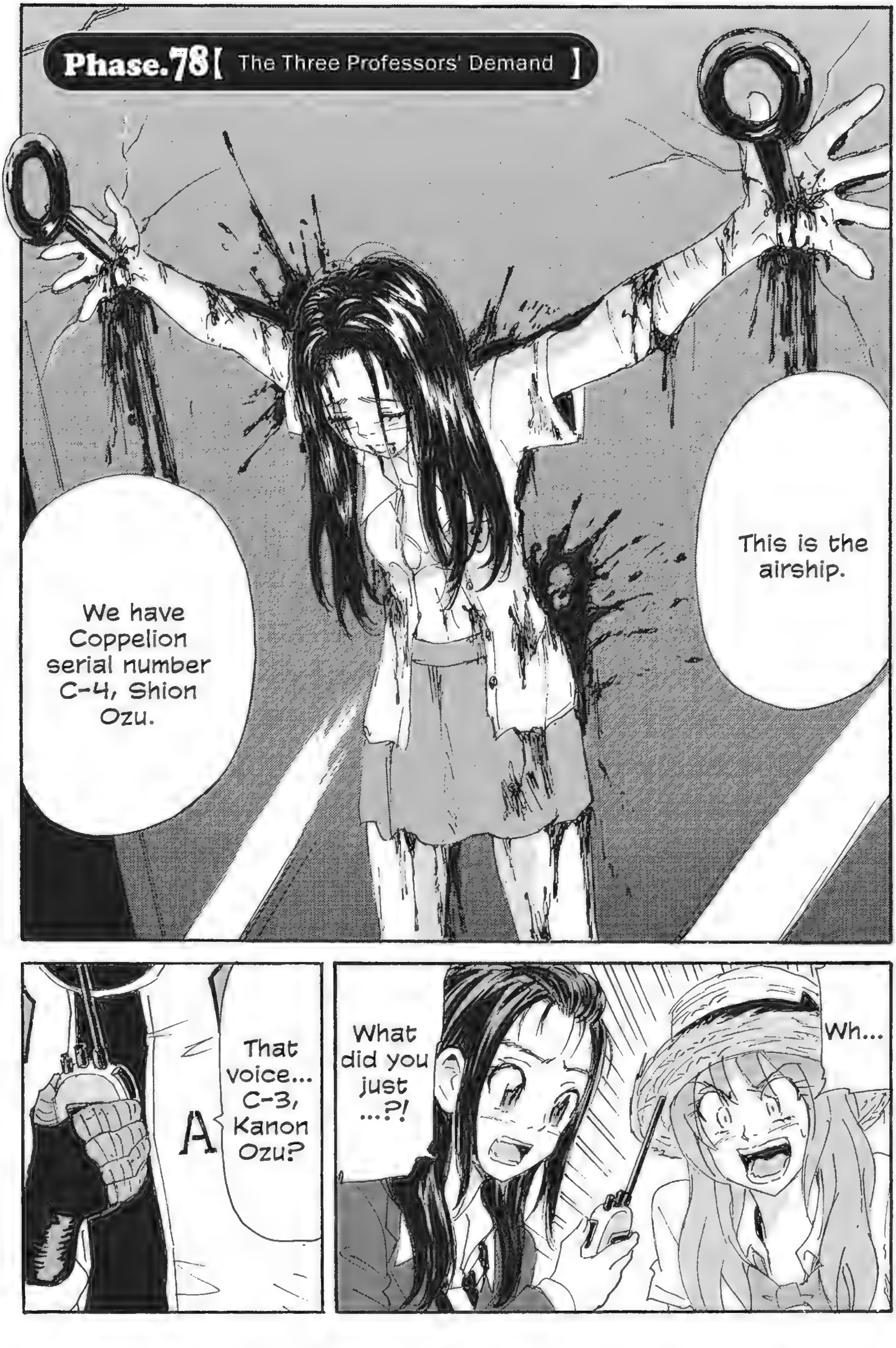

CREAK
CREAK
SIGH
I... I wanna get real smart...

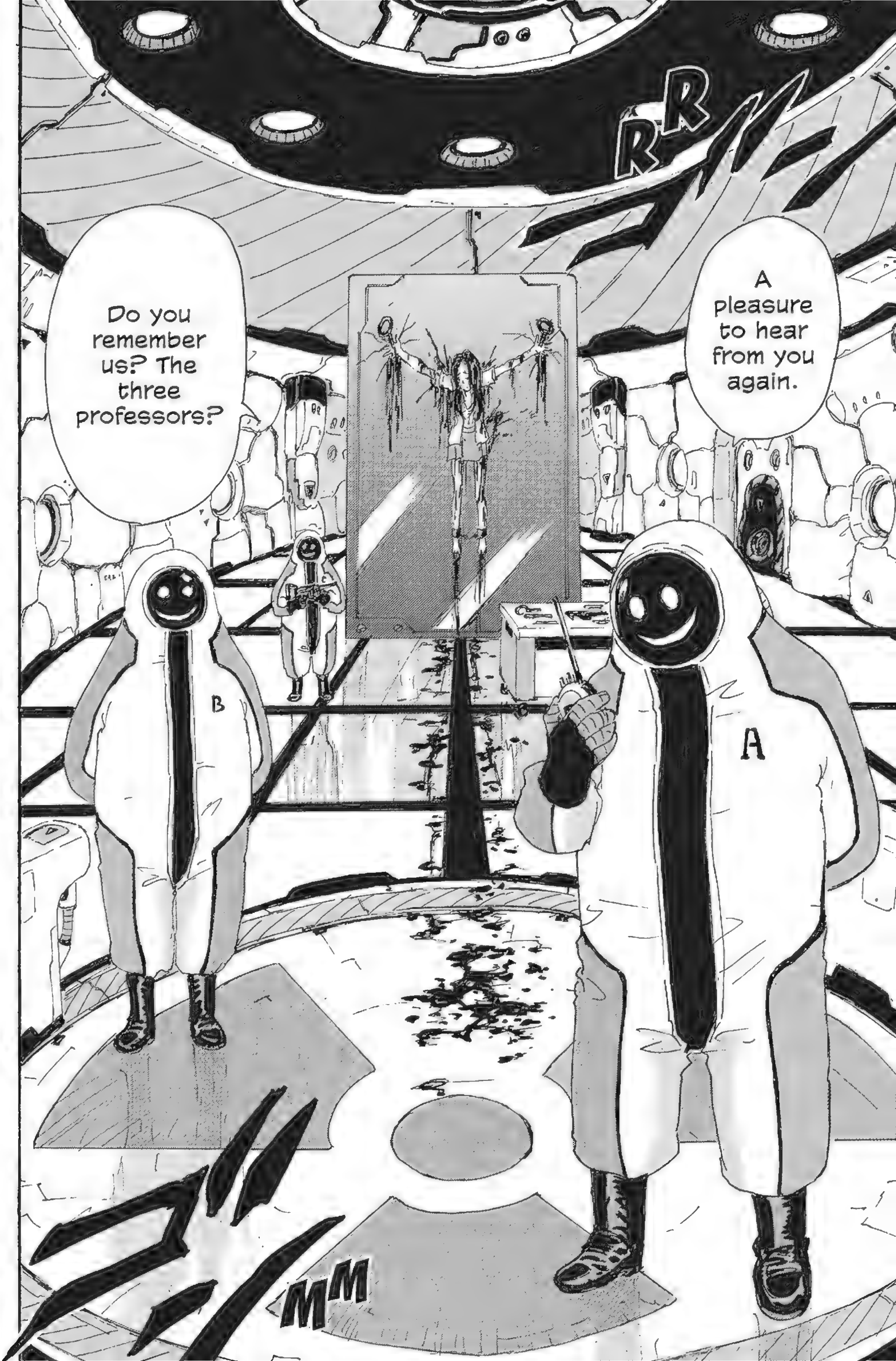

Then ...
Sis'd be happy.
But ...
CHEEP CHEEP
TWEET
PLIP
PLIP
Urgh ... sniff ...
I wanna be smarter ...!
Hoho.
Very ambitious.
?!
SPLASH
But, Shion Ozu...
That's nothing more than wishful thinking.
S...
S...

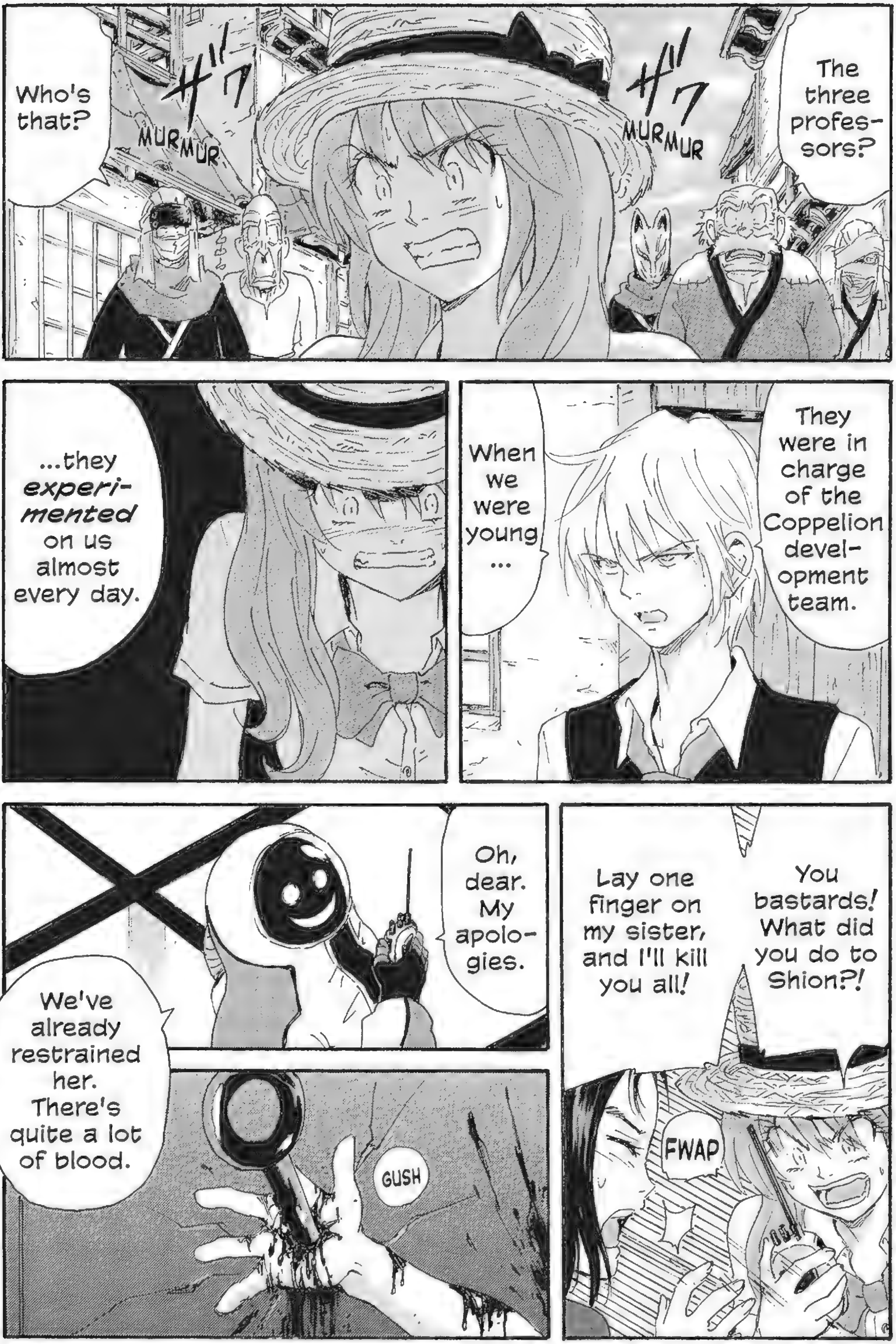

FVVT
S-SIS ...
HELP...
...?!
FWAP
This is the airship.
We have Shion Ozu.
ゴRRR
A
B
ゴMMM ン

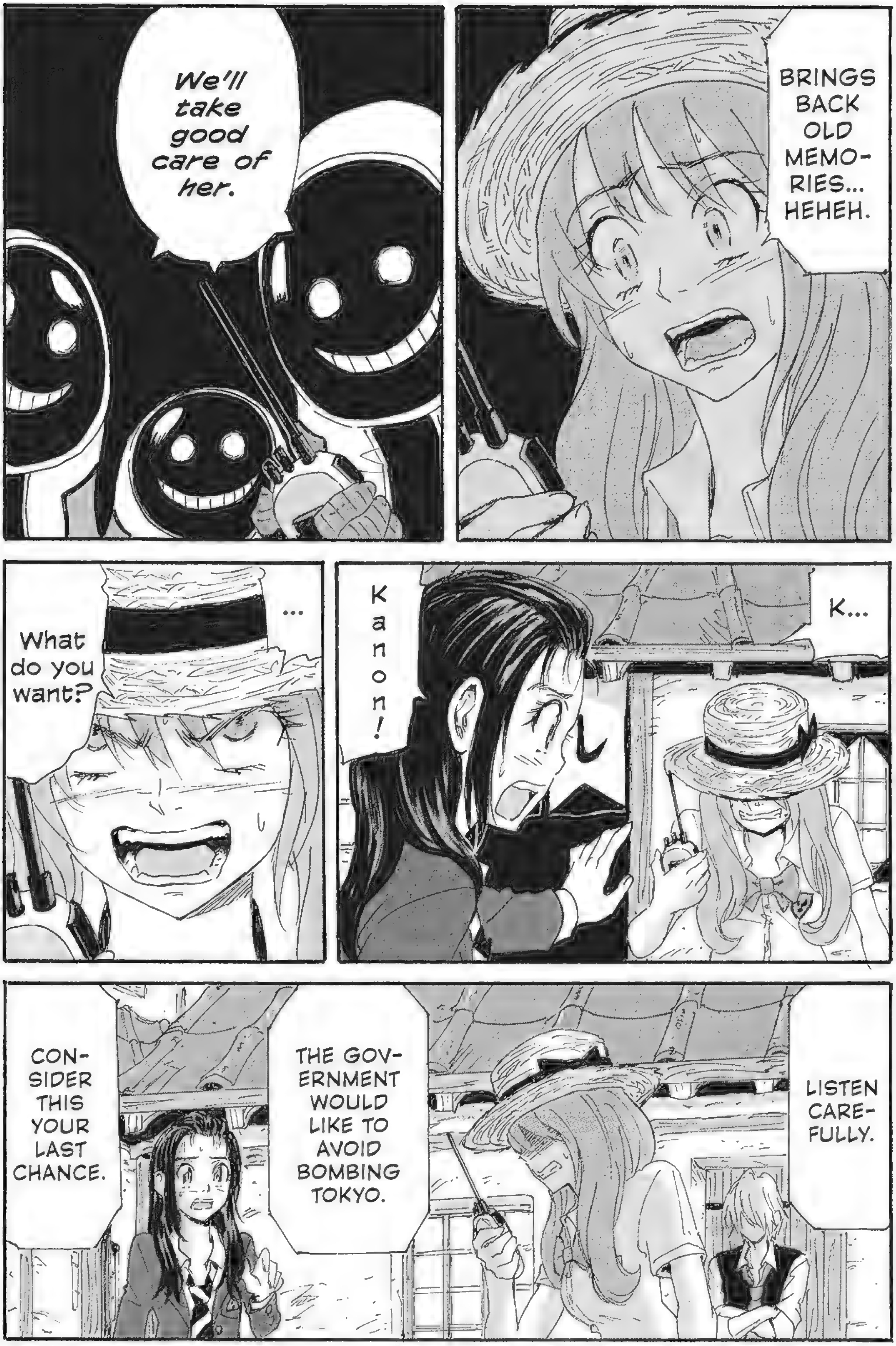
P-77 END

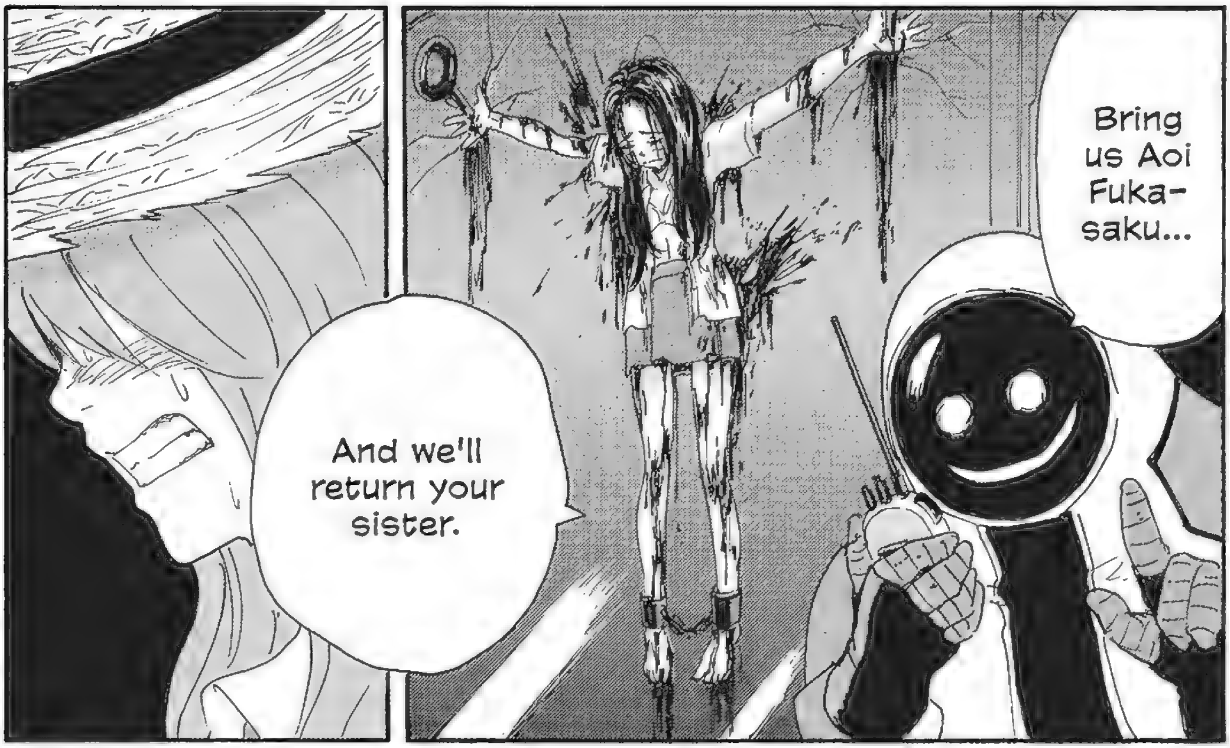
Phase.78 [The Three Professors' Demand]

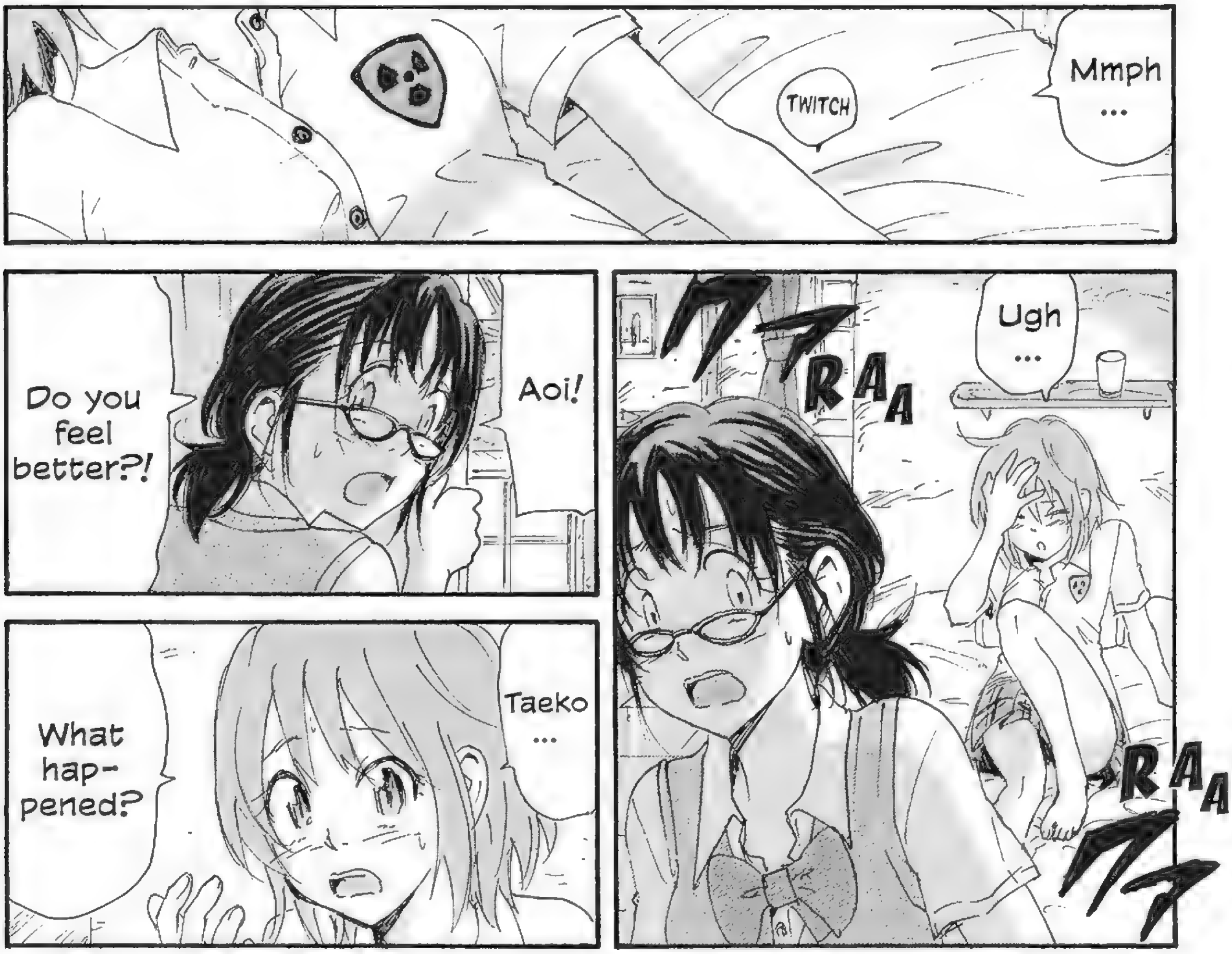

This is the airship.
We have Coppelion serial number C-4, Shion Ozu.
Wh...
What did you just ...?!
That voice... C-3, Kanon Ozu?
A

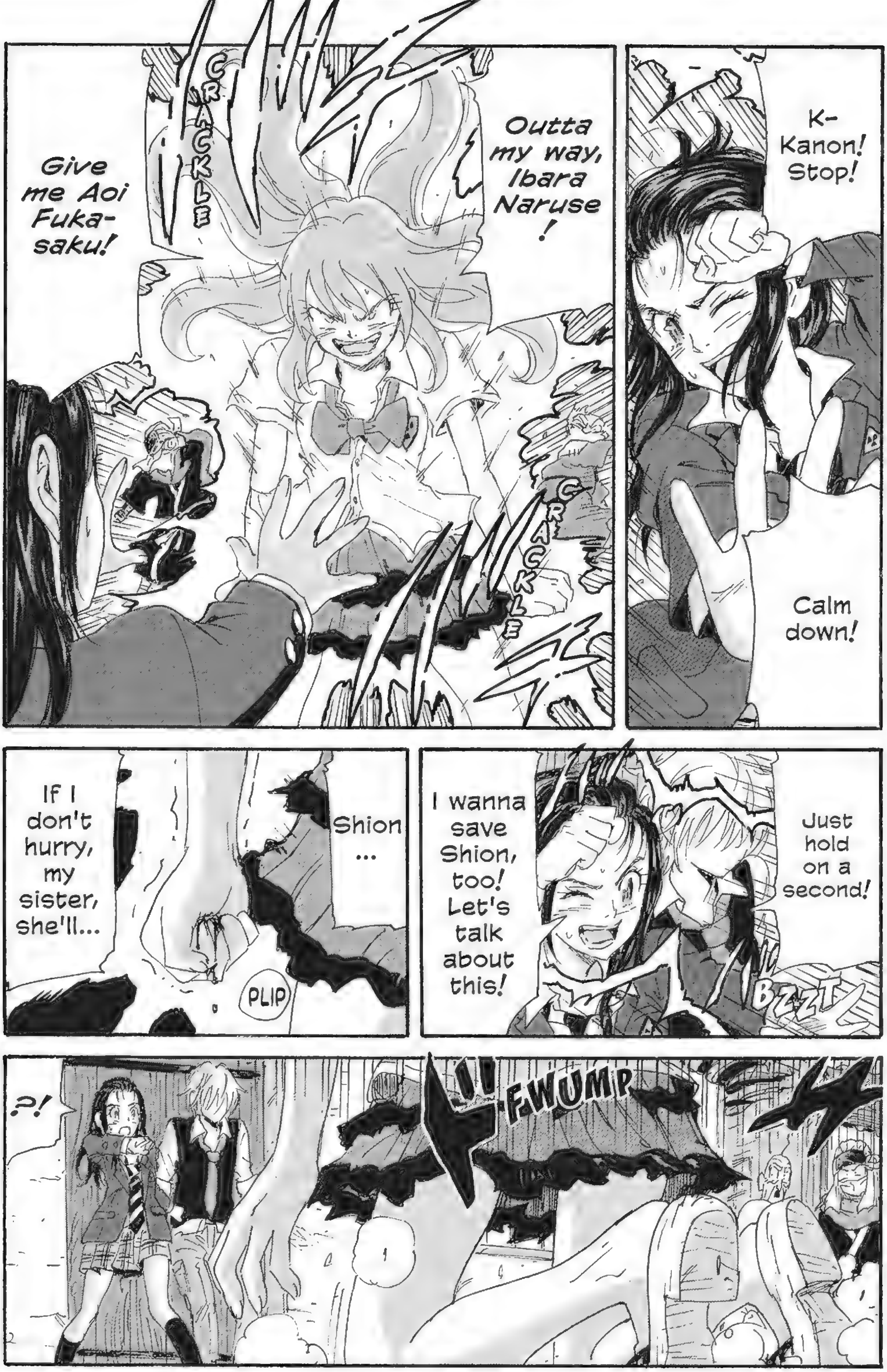

RR
A pleasure to hear from you again.
Do you remember us? The three professors?
A
B
MM

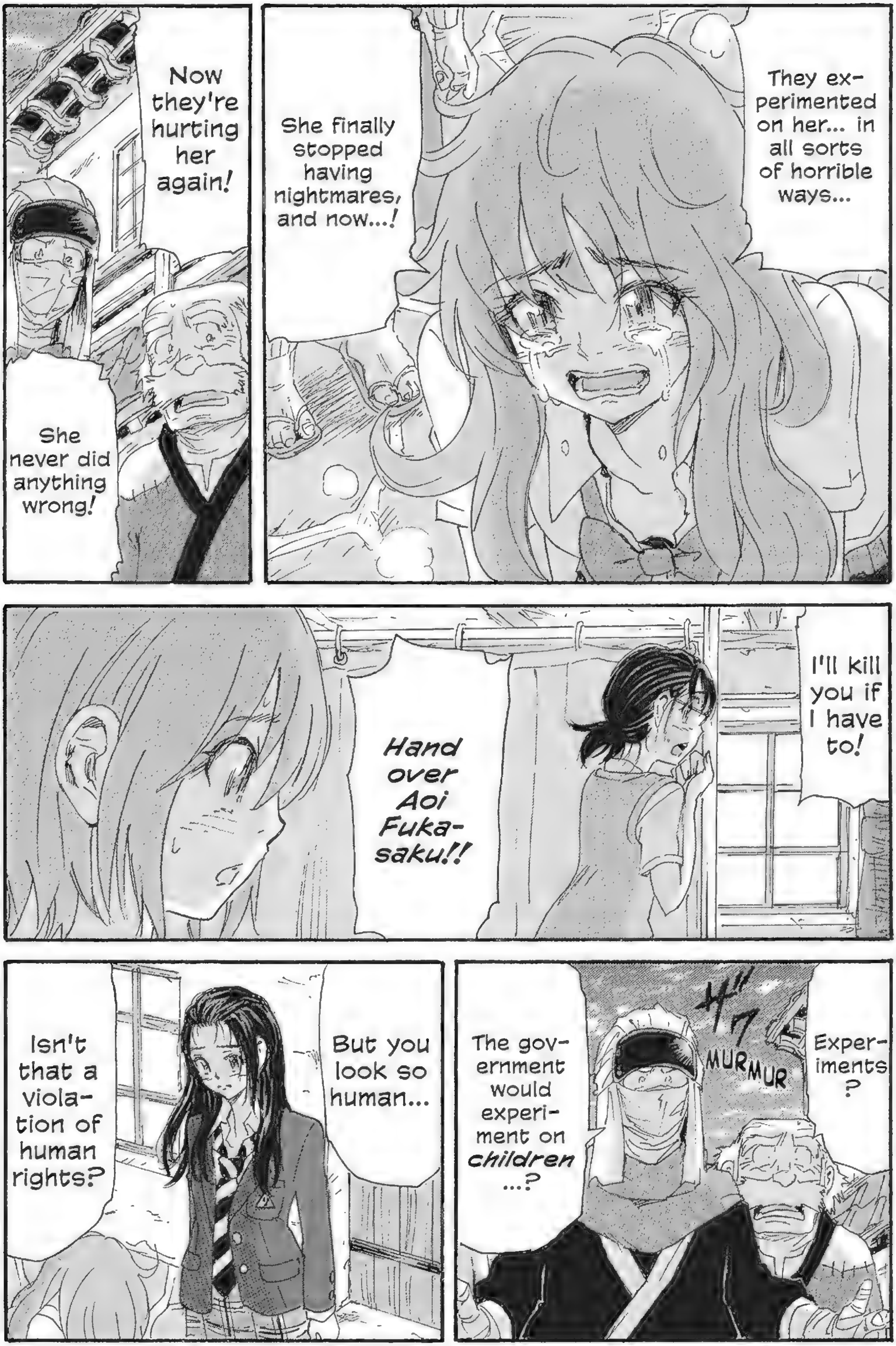

The three professors?
ザワ
MURMUR
ザワ
MURMUR
Who's that?
They were in charge of the Coppelion development team.
When we were young...
...they *experimented* on us almost every day.
You bastards! What did you do to Shion?!
Lay one finger on my sister, and I'll kill you all!
FWAP
Oh, dear. My apologies.
We've already restrained her. There's quite a lot of blood.
GUSH

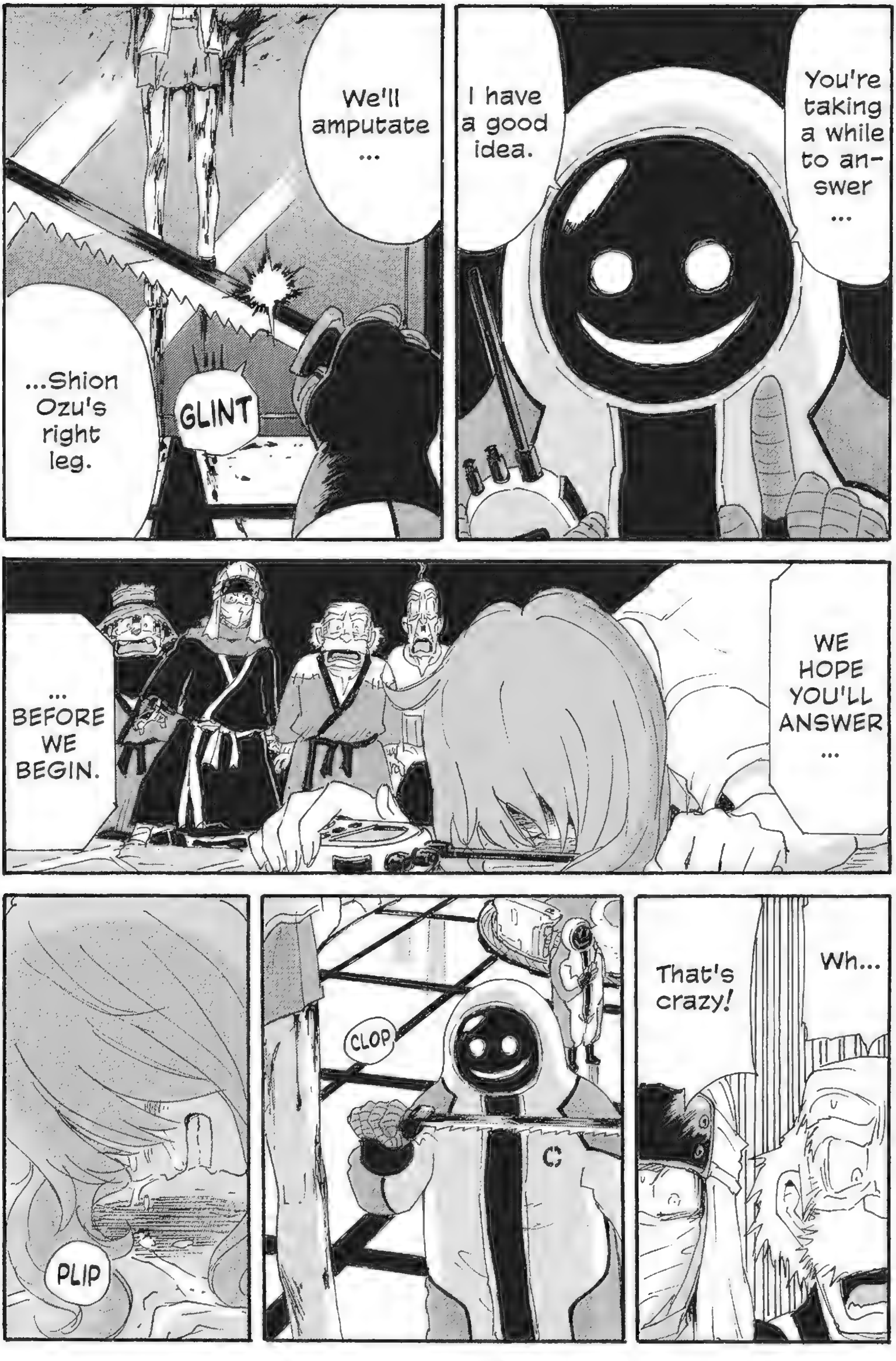

BRINGS BACK OLD MEMORIES... HEHEH.
We'll take good care of her.
K...
Kanon!
...
What do you want?
LISTEN CAREFULLY.
THE GOVERNMENT WOULD LIKE TO AVOID BOMBING TOKYO.
CONSIDER THIS YOUR LAST CHANCE.

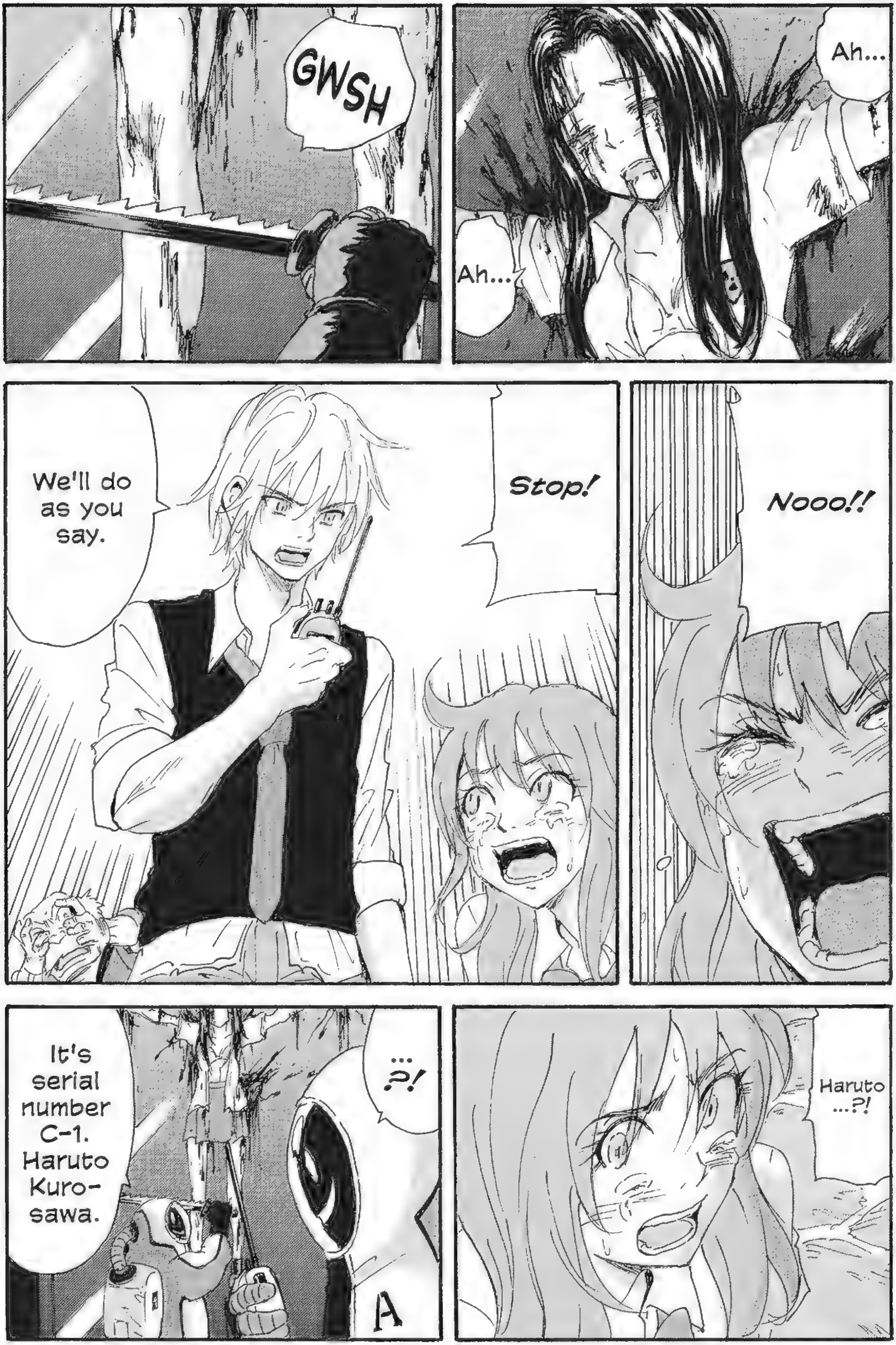

Bring us Aoi Fukasaku...
And we'll return your sister.

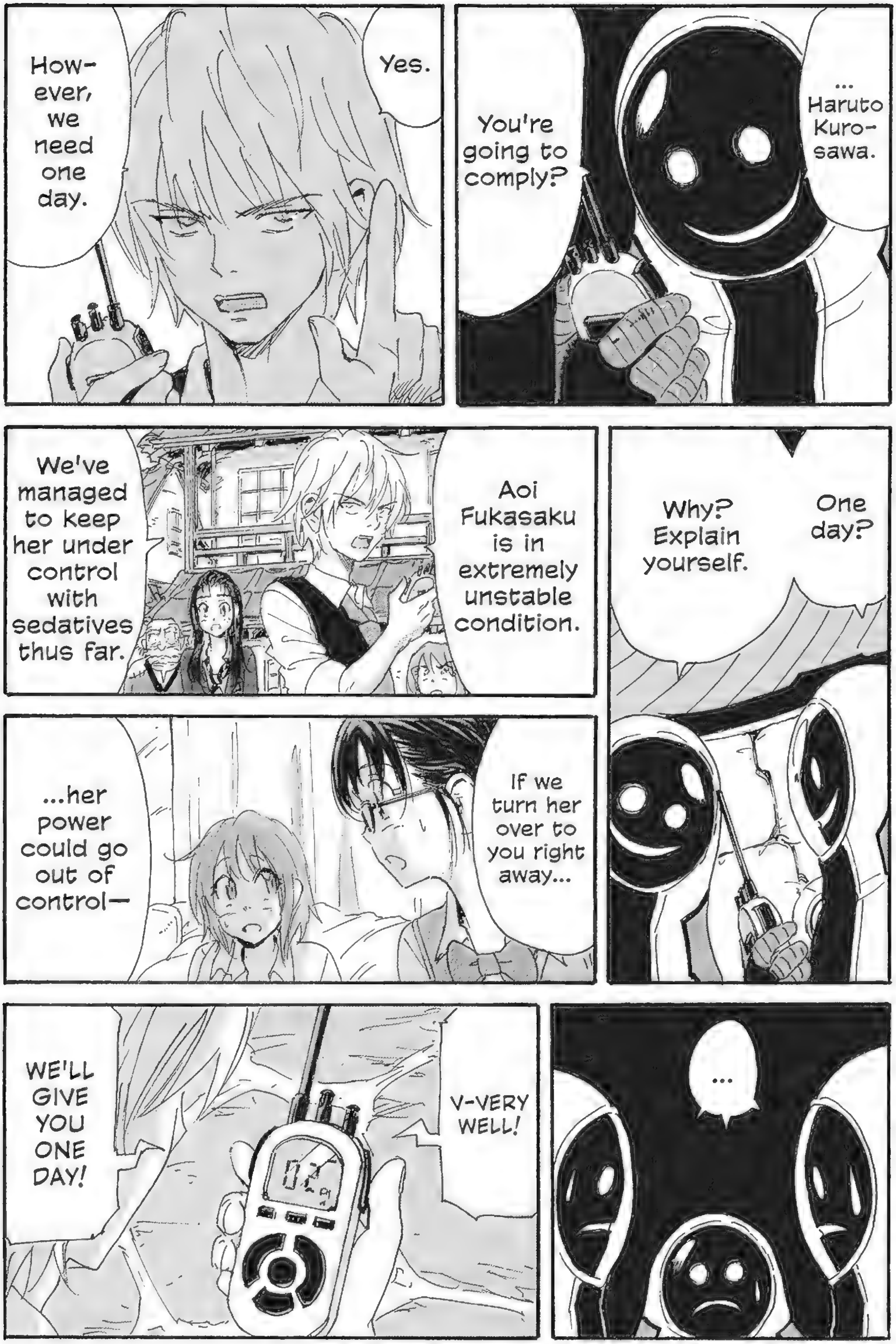

Mmph ...
TWITCH
Ugh ...
RAA
RAA
Aoi!
Do you feel better?!
Taeko ...
What happened?

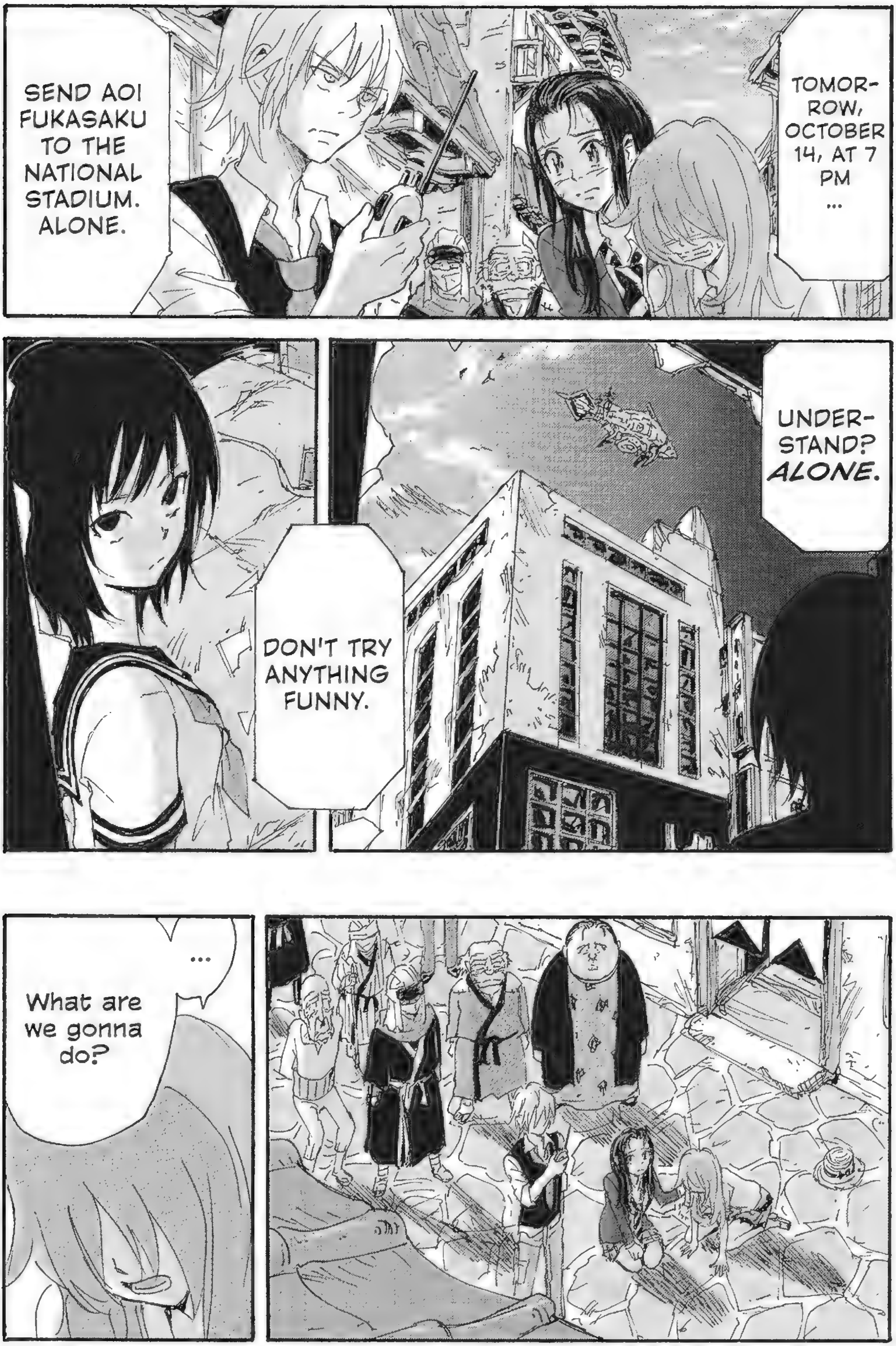

K-Kanon! Stop!
Calm down!
CRACKLE
Outta my way, Ibara Naruse!
Give me Aoi Fukasaku!
CRACKLE
Just hold on a second!
I wanna save Shion, too! Let's talk about this!
BZZT
Shion...
If I don't hurry, my sister, she'll...
PLIP
FWUMP
?!

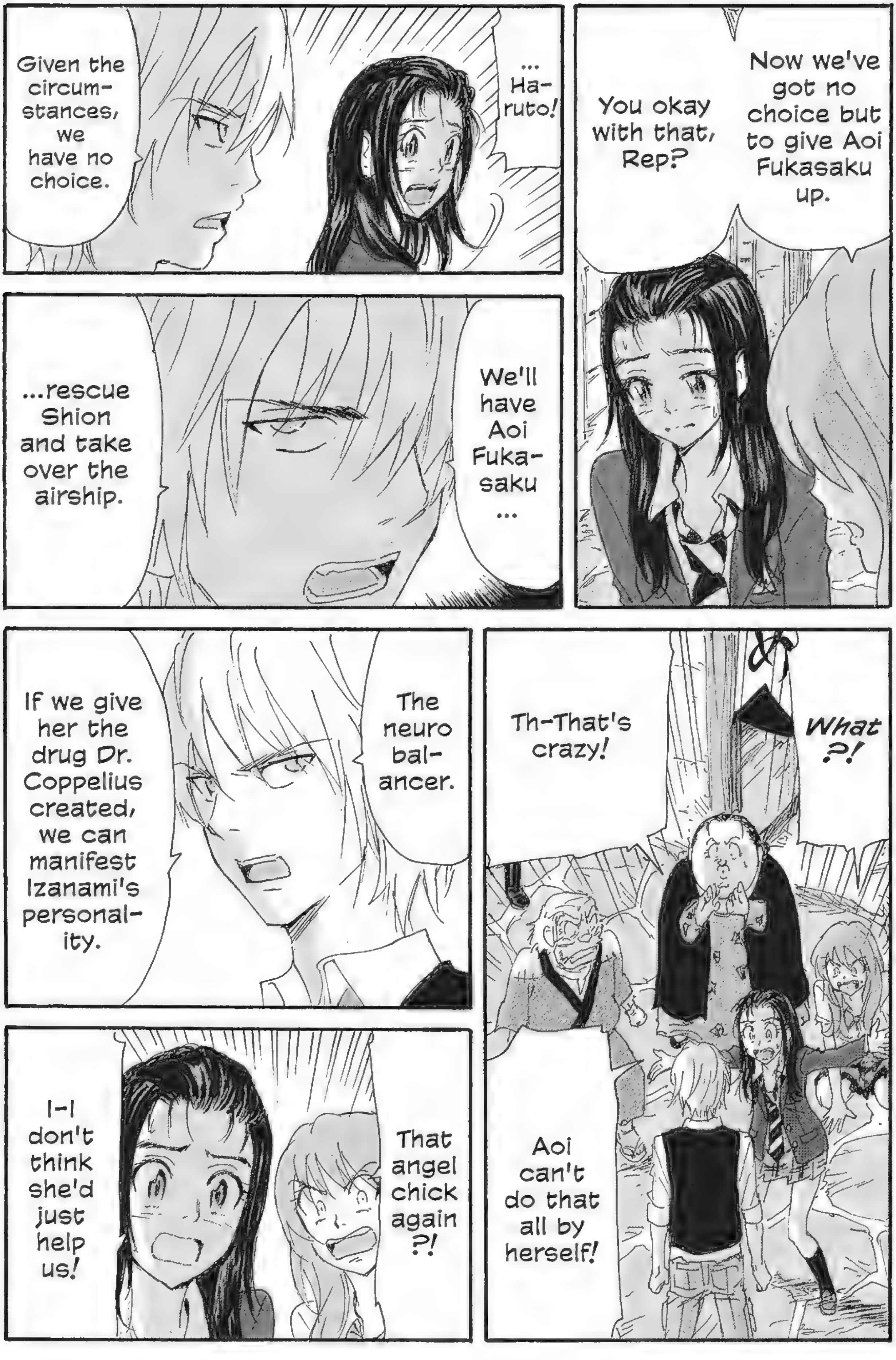

They experimented on her... in all sorts of horrible ways...
She finally stopped having nightmares, and now...!
Now they're hurting her again!
She never did anything wrong!
I'll kill you if I have to!
Hand over Aoi Fukasaku!!
Experiments?
ザワ
MURMUR
The government would experiment on *children*...?
But you look so human...
Isn't that a violation of human rights?

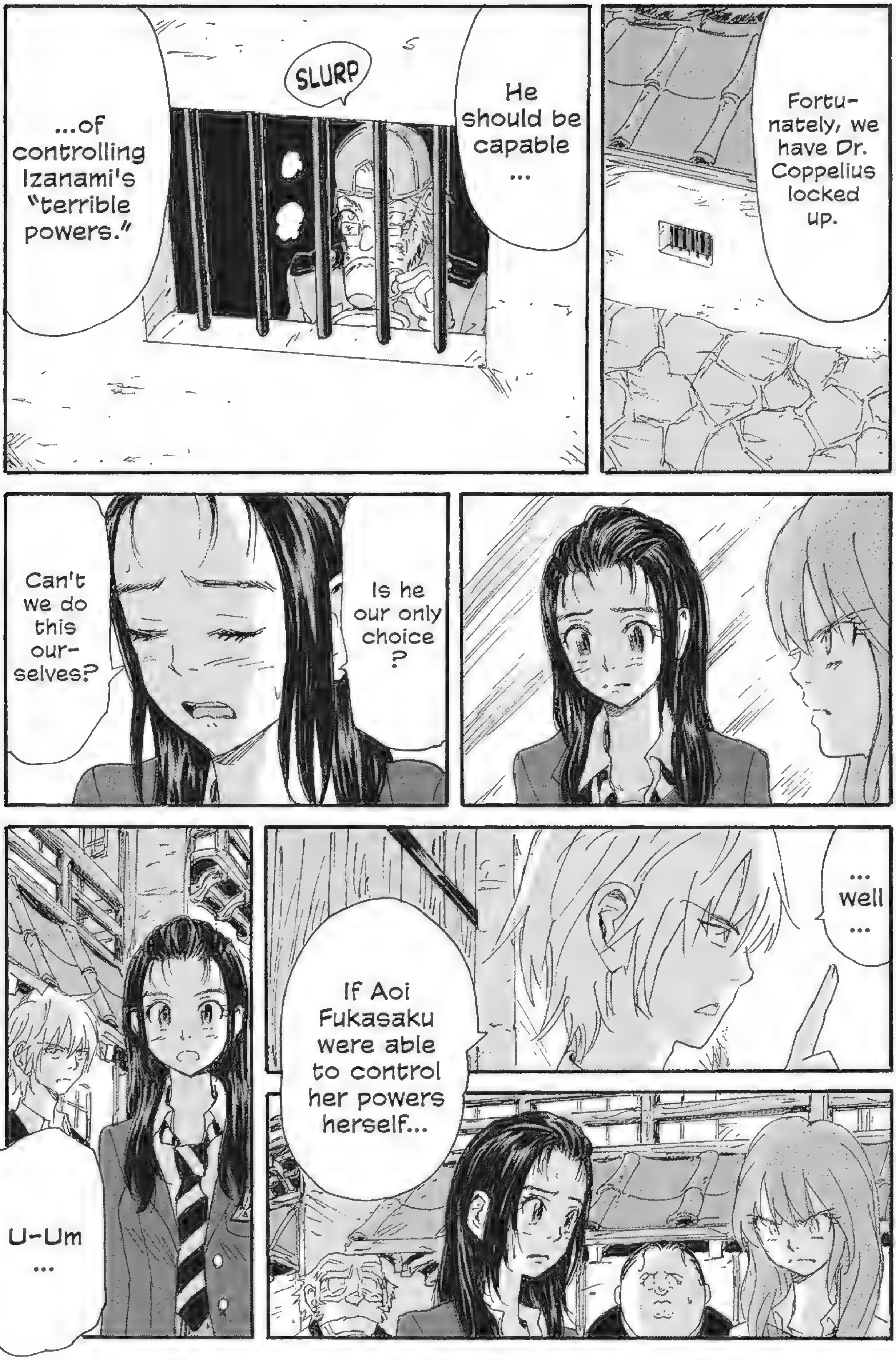

You're taking a while to answer...
I have a good idea.
We'll amputate...
...Shion Ozu's right leg.
GLINT
WE HOPE YOU'LL ANSWER...
...BEFORE WE BEGIN.
Wh...
That's crazy!
CLOP
PLIP

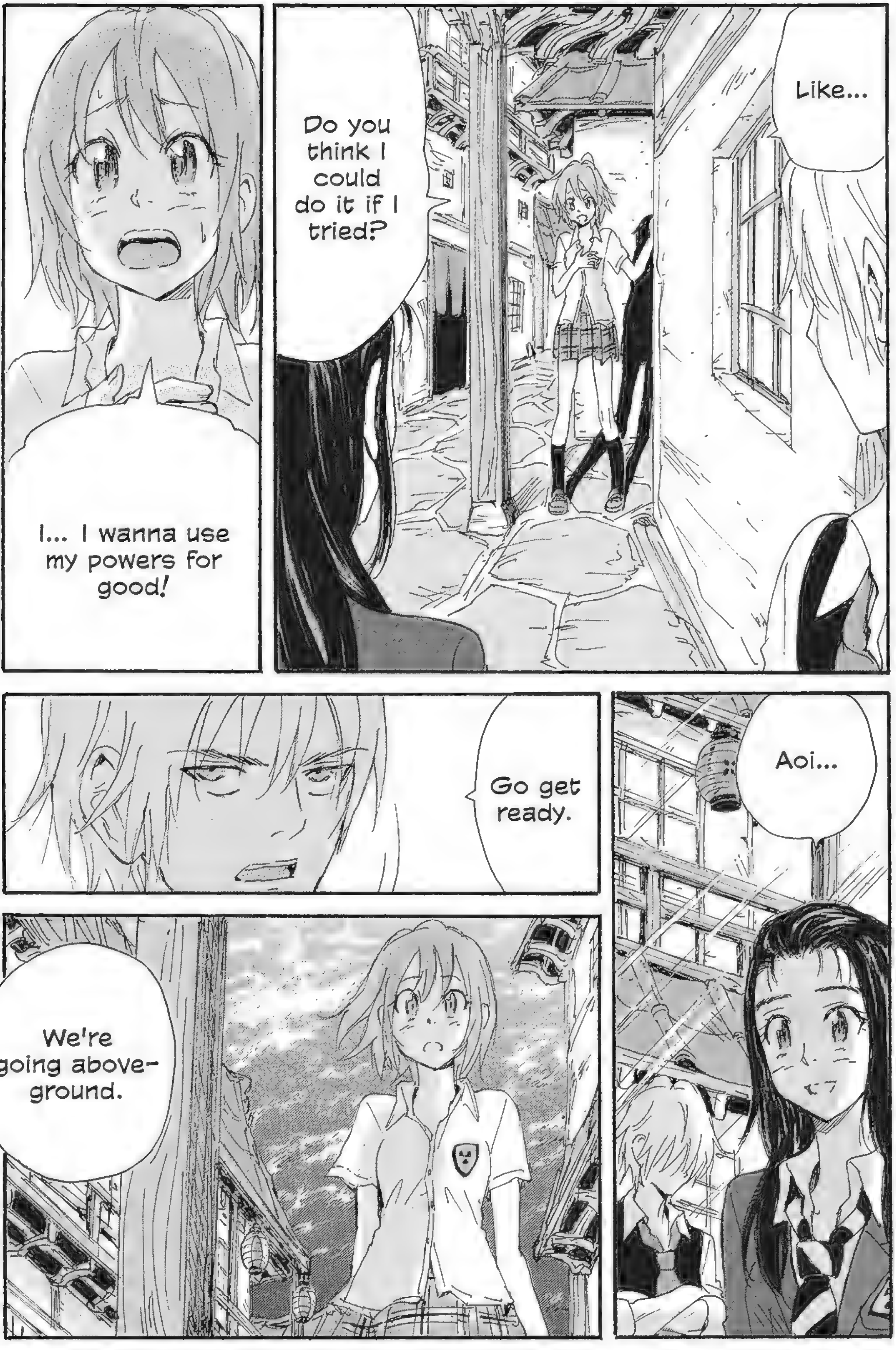

GWSH
Ah...
Ah...
We'll do as you say.
Stop!
Nooo!!
It's serial number C-1. Haruto Kurosawa.
...?!
A
Haruto ...?!

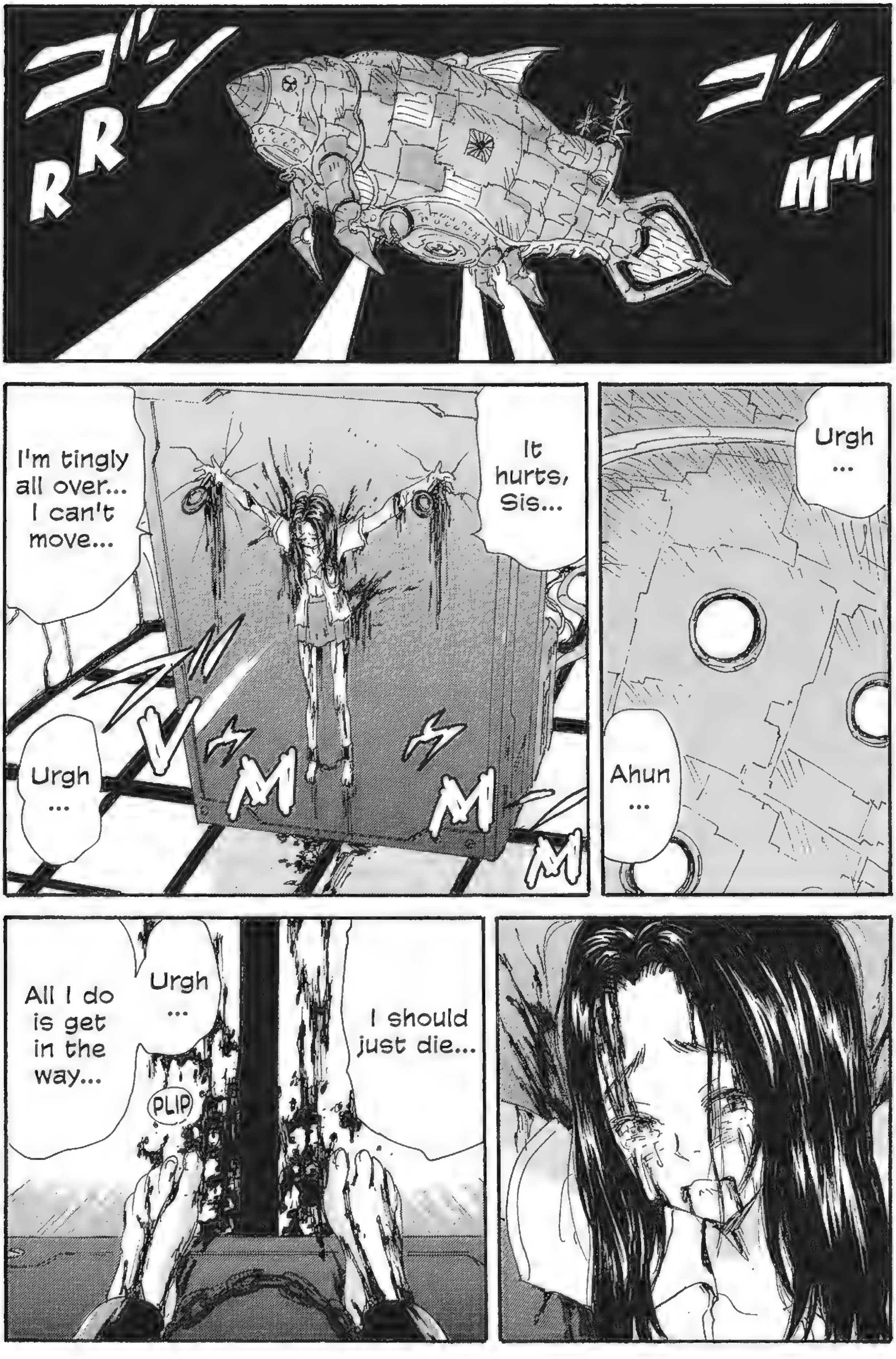

...Haruto Kurosawa.
You're going to comply?
Yes.
However, we need one day.
One day?
Why? Explain yourself.
Aoi Fukasaku is in extremely unstable condition.
We've managed to keep her under control with sedatives thus far.
If we turn her over to you right away...
...her power could go out of control—
...
V-VERY WELL!
WE'LL GIVE YOU ONE DAY!

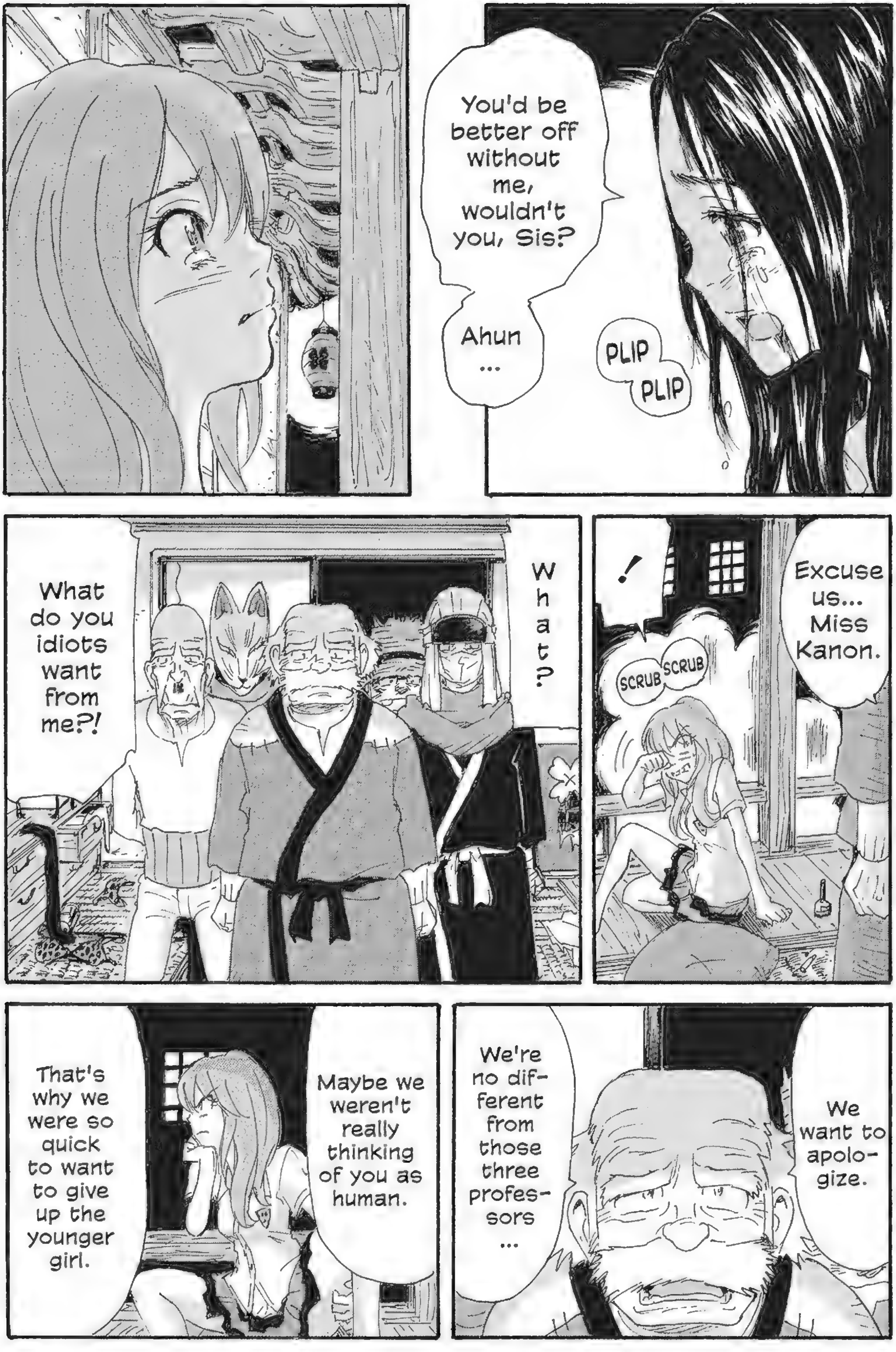

TOMORROW, OCTOBER 14, AT 7 PM ...
SEND AOI FUKASAKU TO THE NATIONAL STADIUM. ALONE.
UNDERSTAND? *ALONE.*
DON'T TRY ANYTHING FUNNY.
...
What are we gonna do?

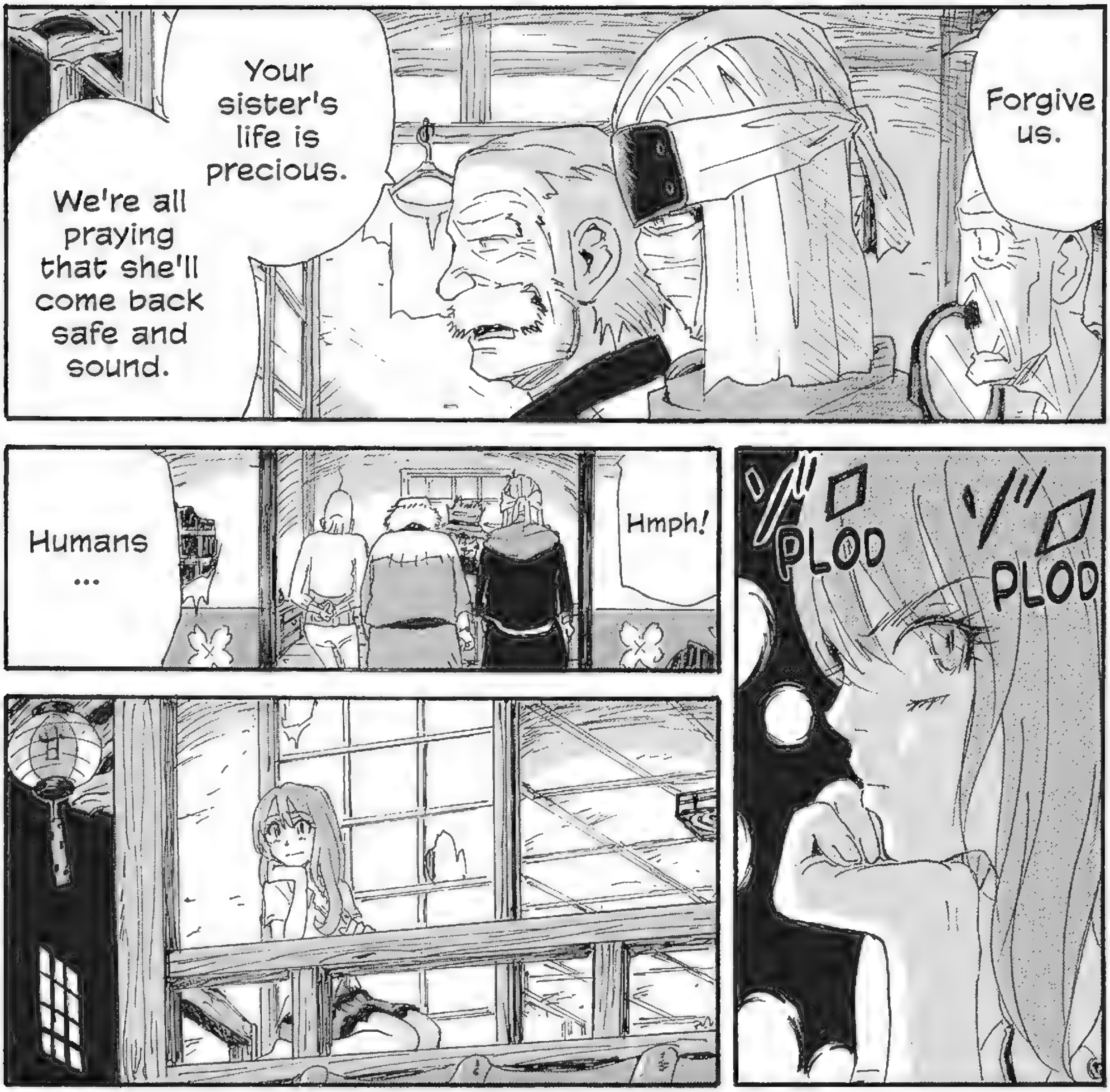

Now we've got no choice but to give Aoi Fukasaku up.
You okay with that, Rep?
...Haruto!
Given the circumstances, we have no choice.
We'll have Aoi Fukasaku...
...rescue Shion and take over the airship.
What?!
Th-That's crazy!
Aoi can't do that all by herself!
The neuro balancer.
If we give her the drug Dr. Coppelius created, we can manifest Izanami's personality.
That angel chick again?!
I-I don't think she'd just help us!

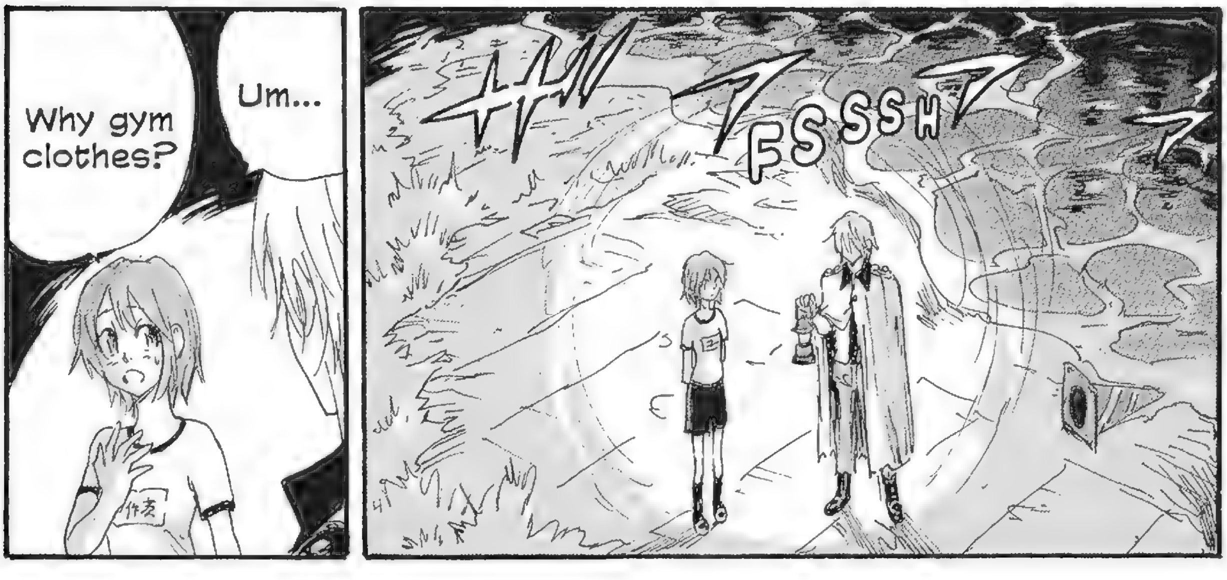

Fortunately, we have Dr. Coppelius locked up.
He should be capable ...
SLURP
...of controlling Izanami's "terrible powers."
Is he our only choice?
Can't we do this ourselves?
... well ...
If Aoi Fukasaku were able to control her powers herself...
U-Um ...

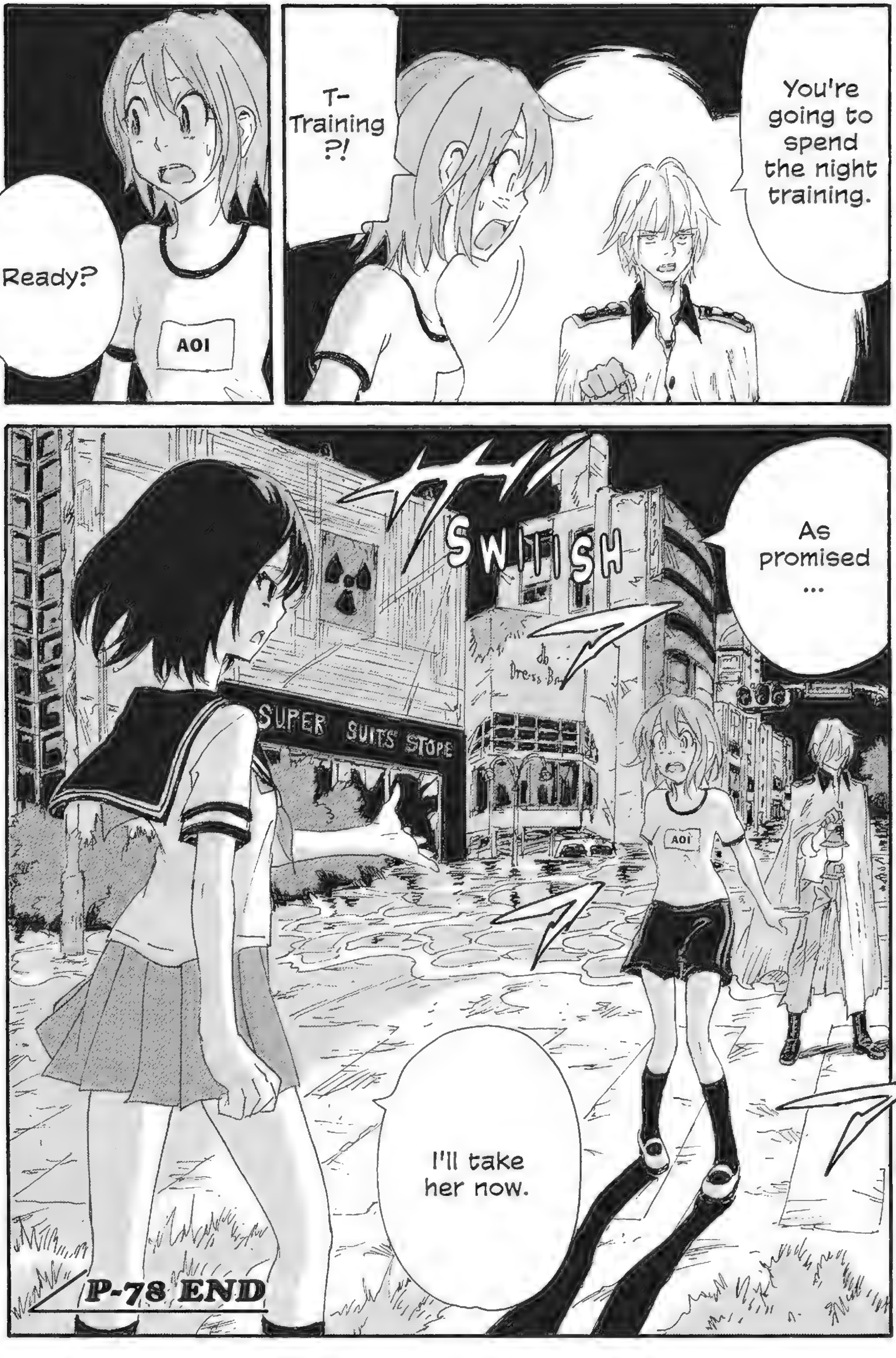

Like...
Do you think I could do it if I tried?
I... I wanna use my powers for good!
Aoi...
Go get ready.
We're going above-ground.


ゴン
RR
ゴン
MM
I'm tingly all over... I can't move...
It hurts, Sis...
Urgh ...
VV
MMM
Urgh ...
Ahun ...
All I do is get in the way...
Urgh ...
I should just die...
PLIP


You'd be better off without me, wouldn't you, Sis?
Ahun ...
PLIP PLIP
Excuse us... Miss Kanon.
!
SCRUB SCRUB
What?
What do you idiots want from me?!
We want to apologize.
We're no different from those three professors ...
Maybe we weren't really thinking of you as human.
That's why we were so quick to want to give up the younger girl.

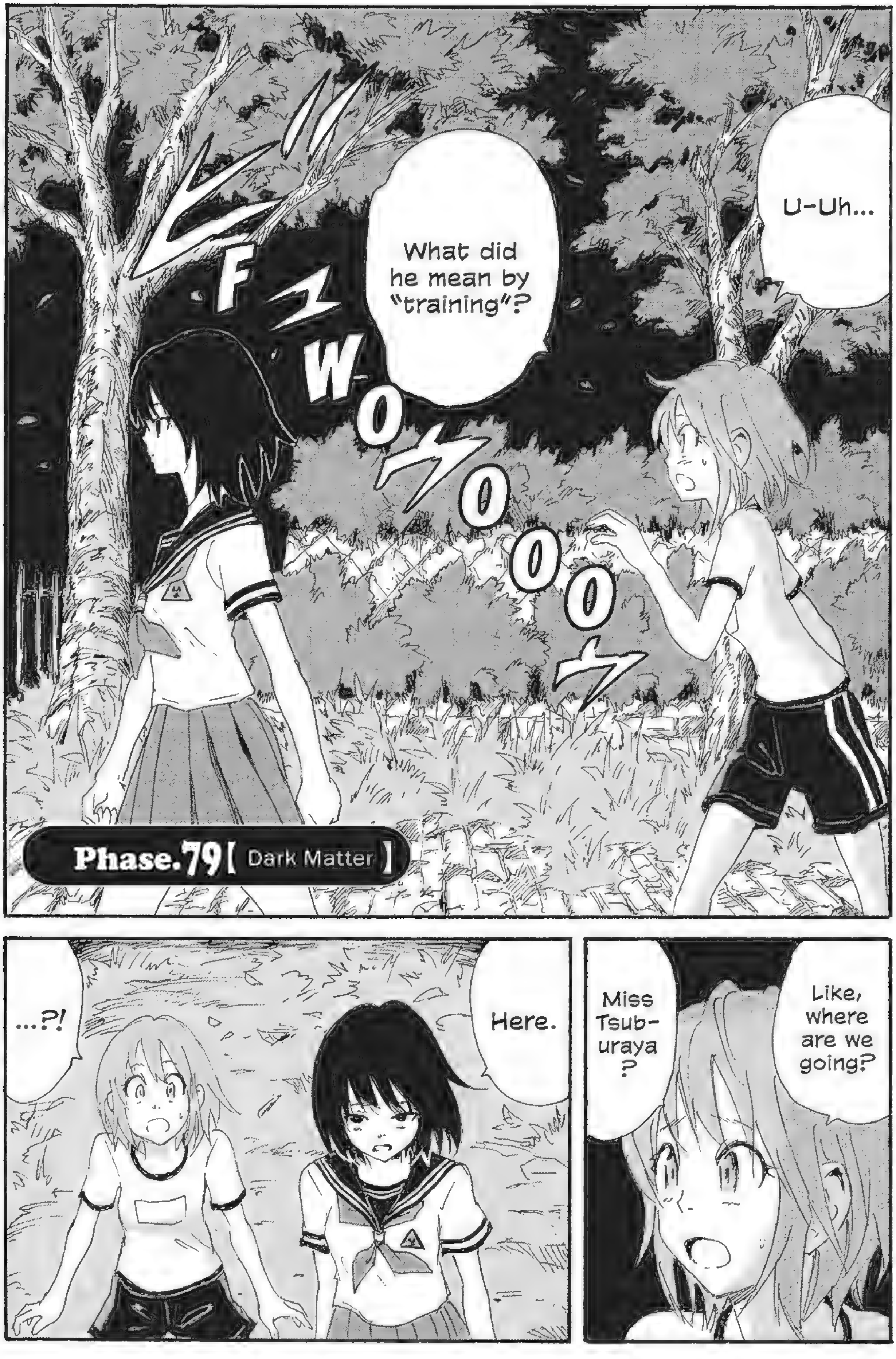

Forgive us.
Your sister's life is precious.
We're all praying that she'll come back safe and sound.
Hmph!
Humans ...
PLOD
PLOD

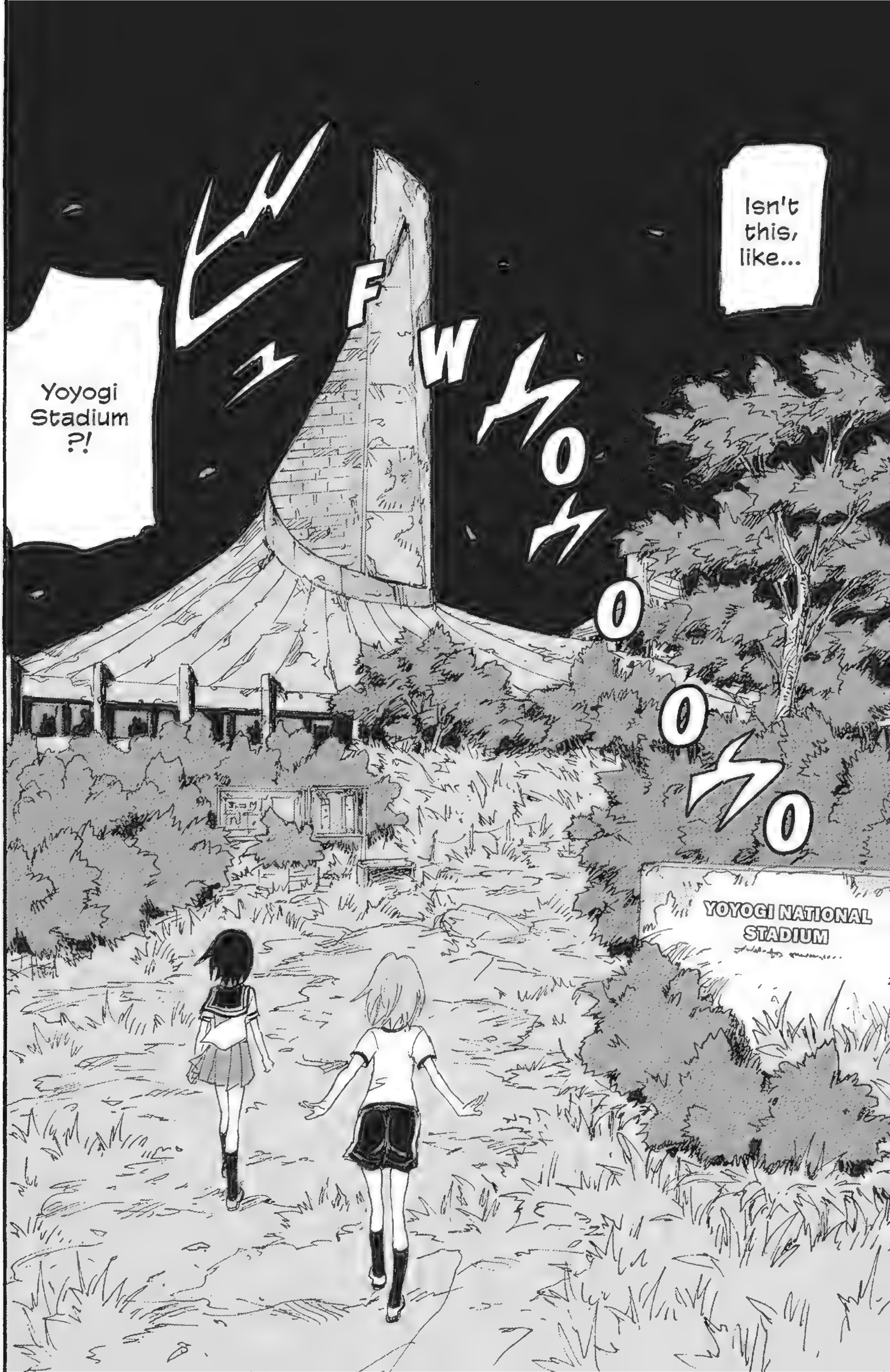

FSSSH
Um...
Why gym clothes?

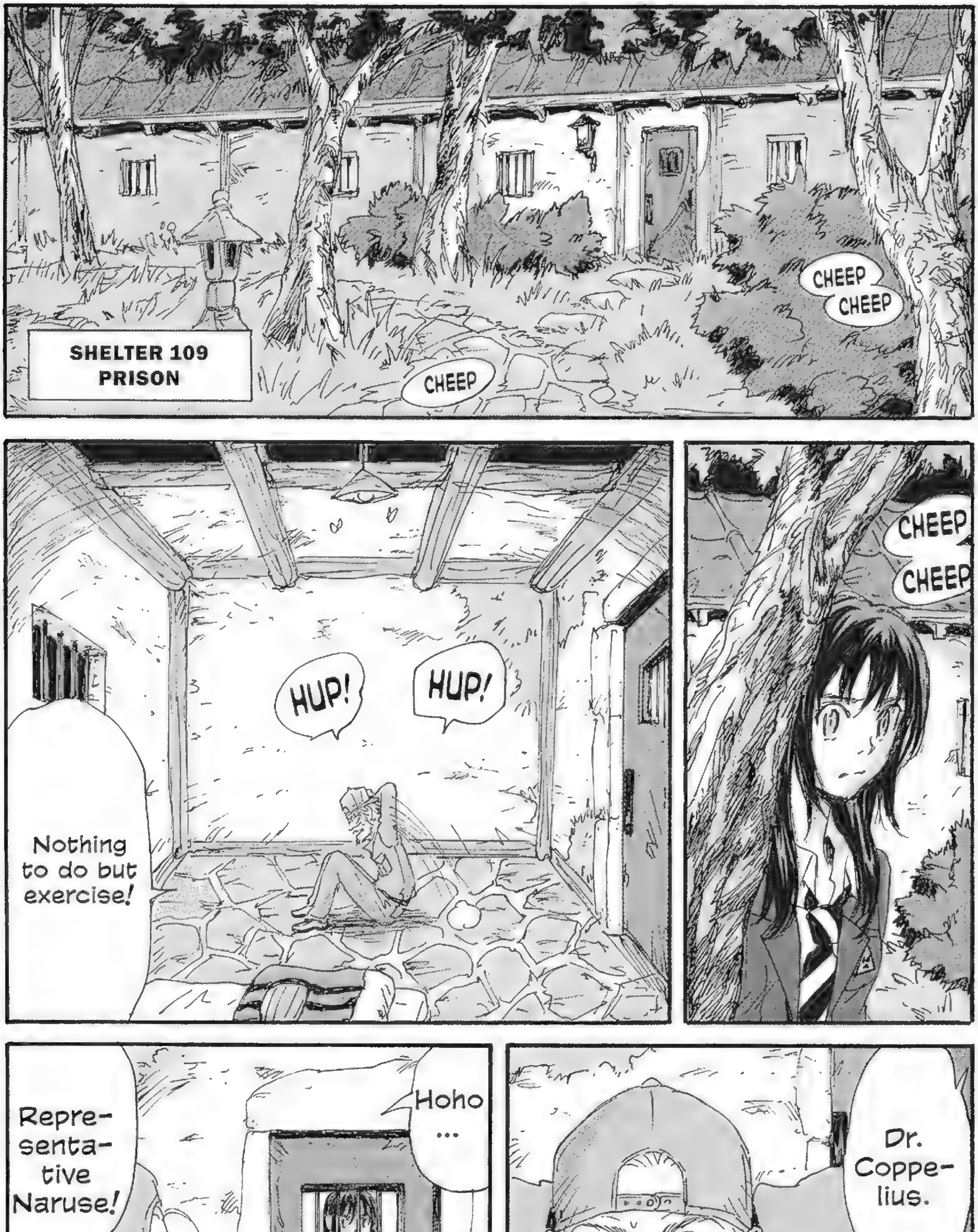

You're going to spend the night training.
T- Training ?!
Ready?
AOI
SWIISH
As promised ...
SUPER SUITS' STORE
Dress Ba
AOI
I'll take her now.

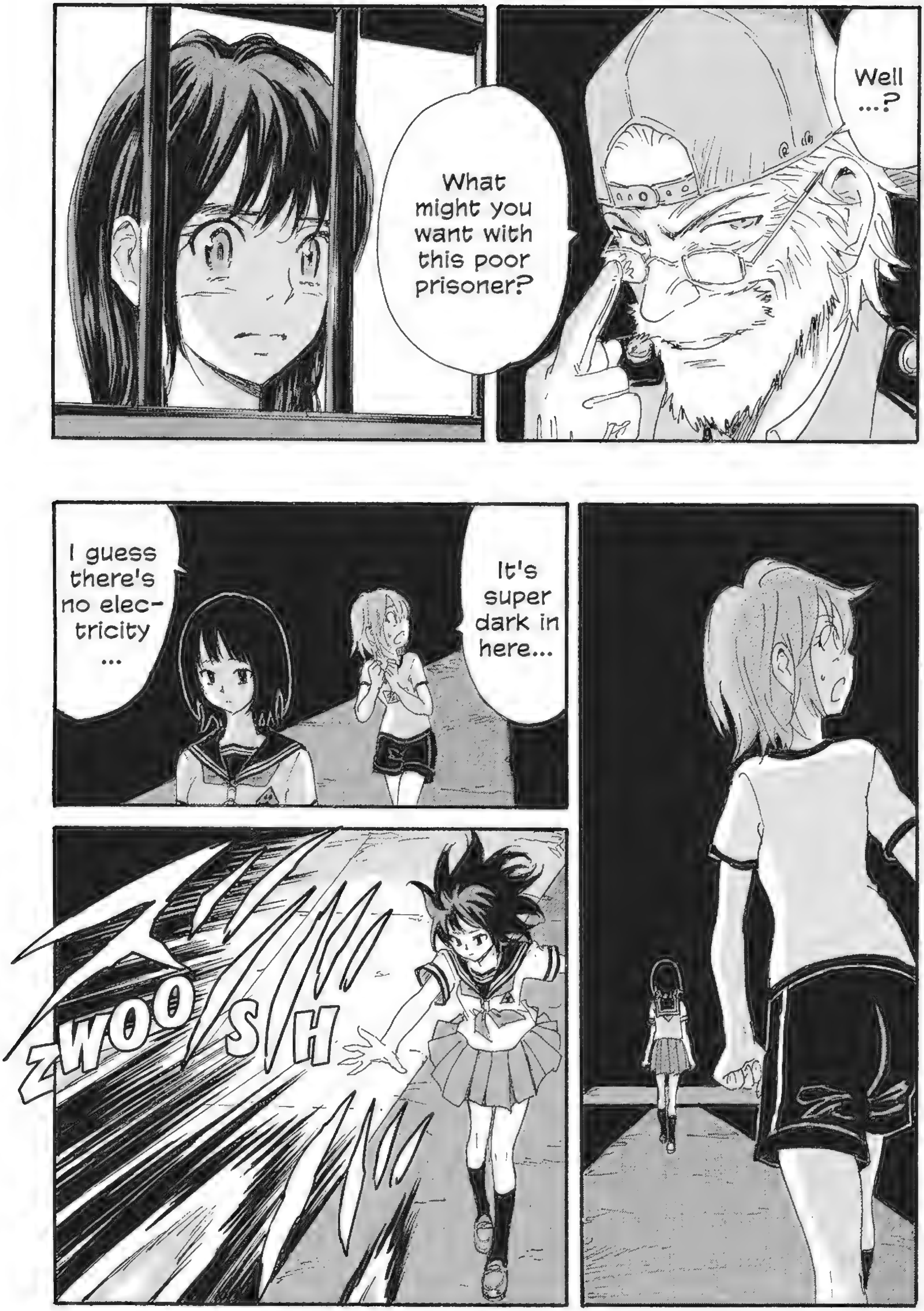
P-78 END

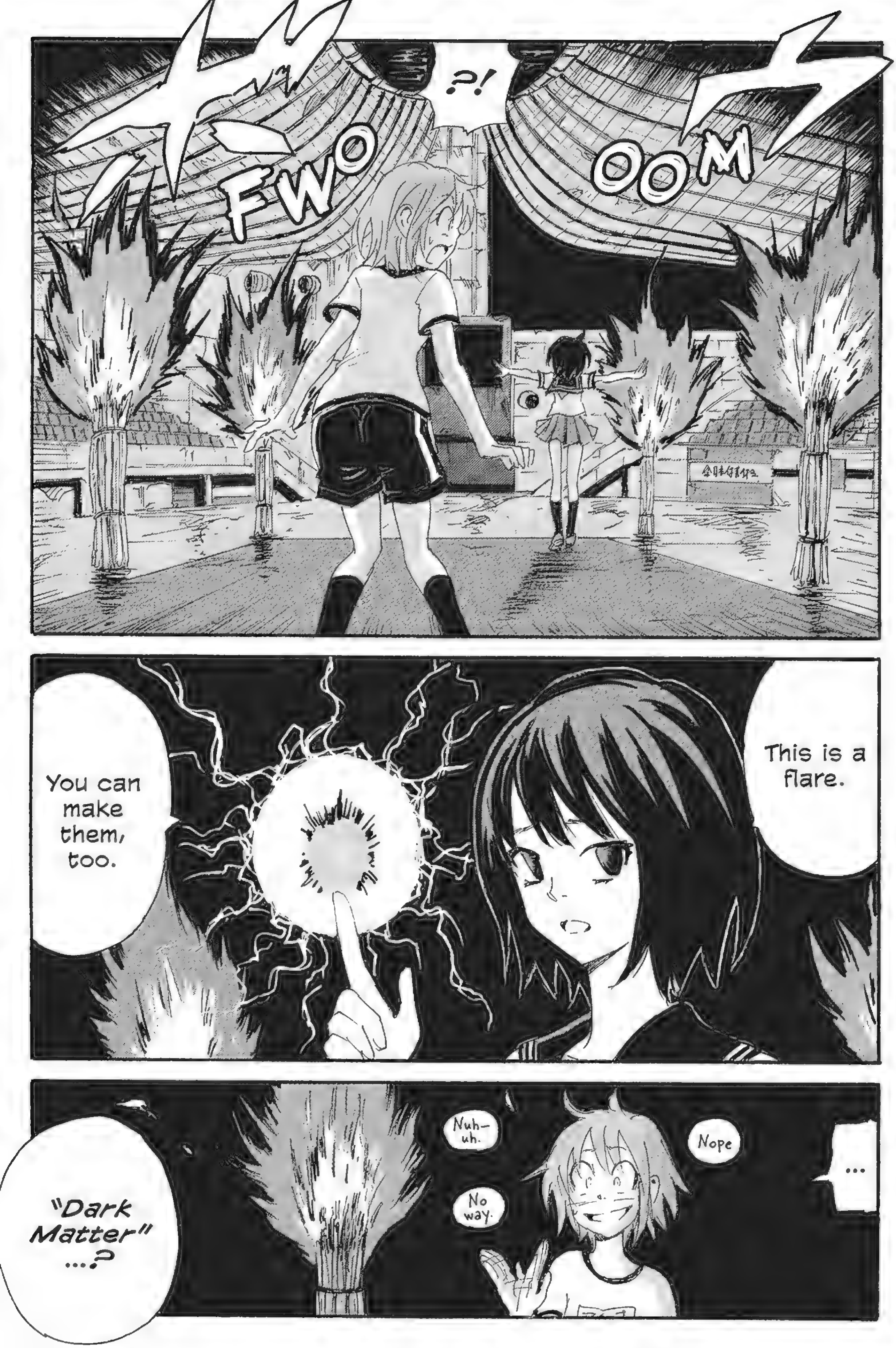
Phase.79【Dark Matter】

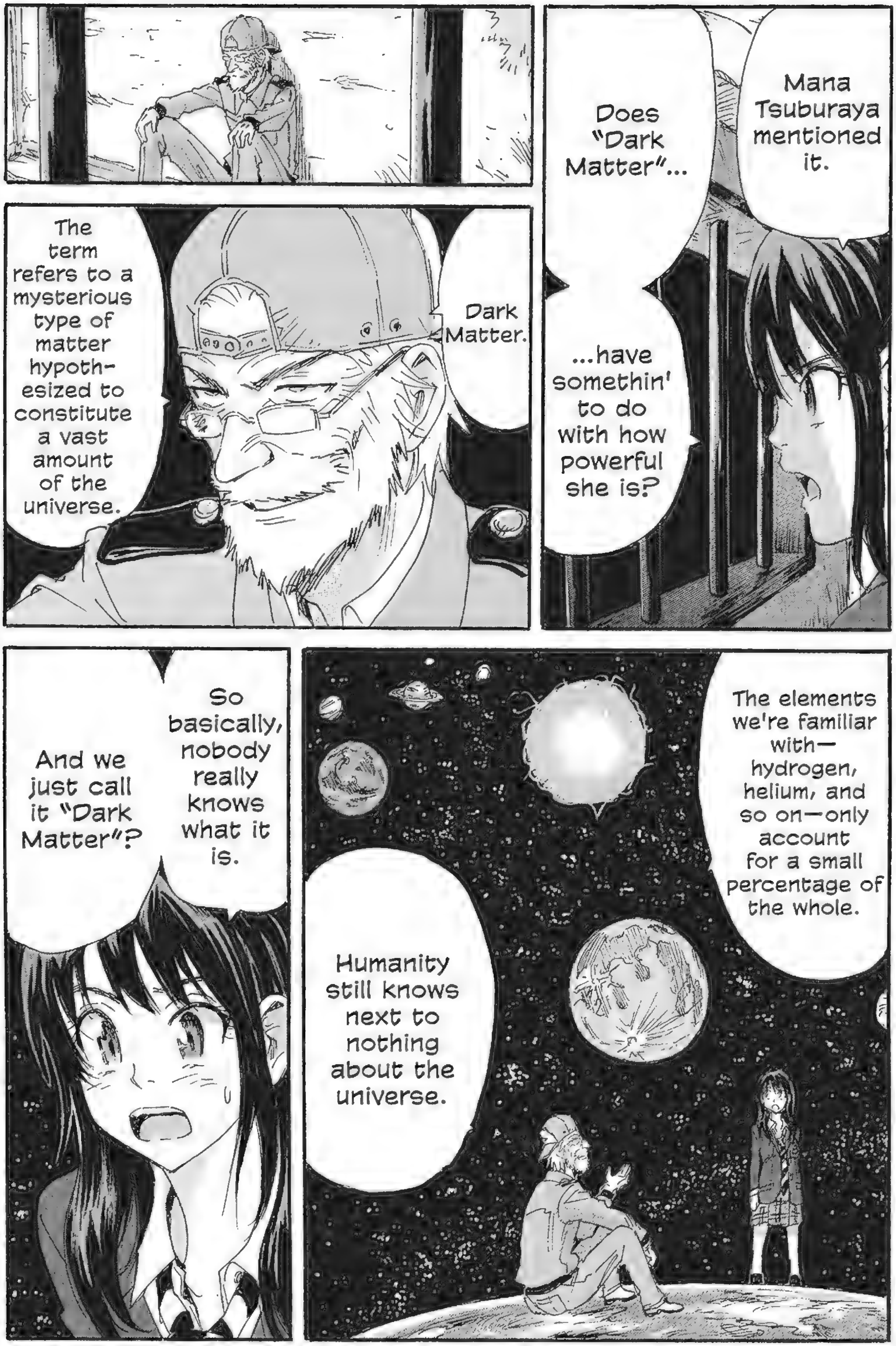

U-Uh...
What did he mean by "training"?
FWOOOOOOOO
Like, where are we going?
Miss Tsub-uraya?
Here.
...?!

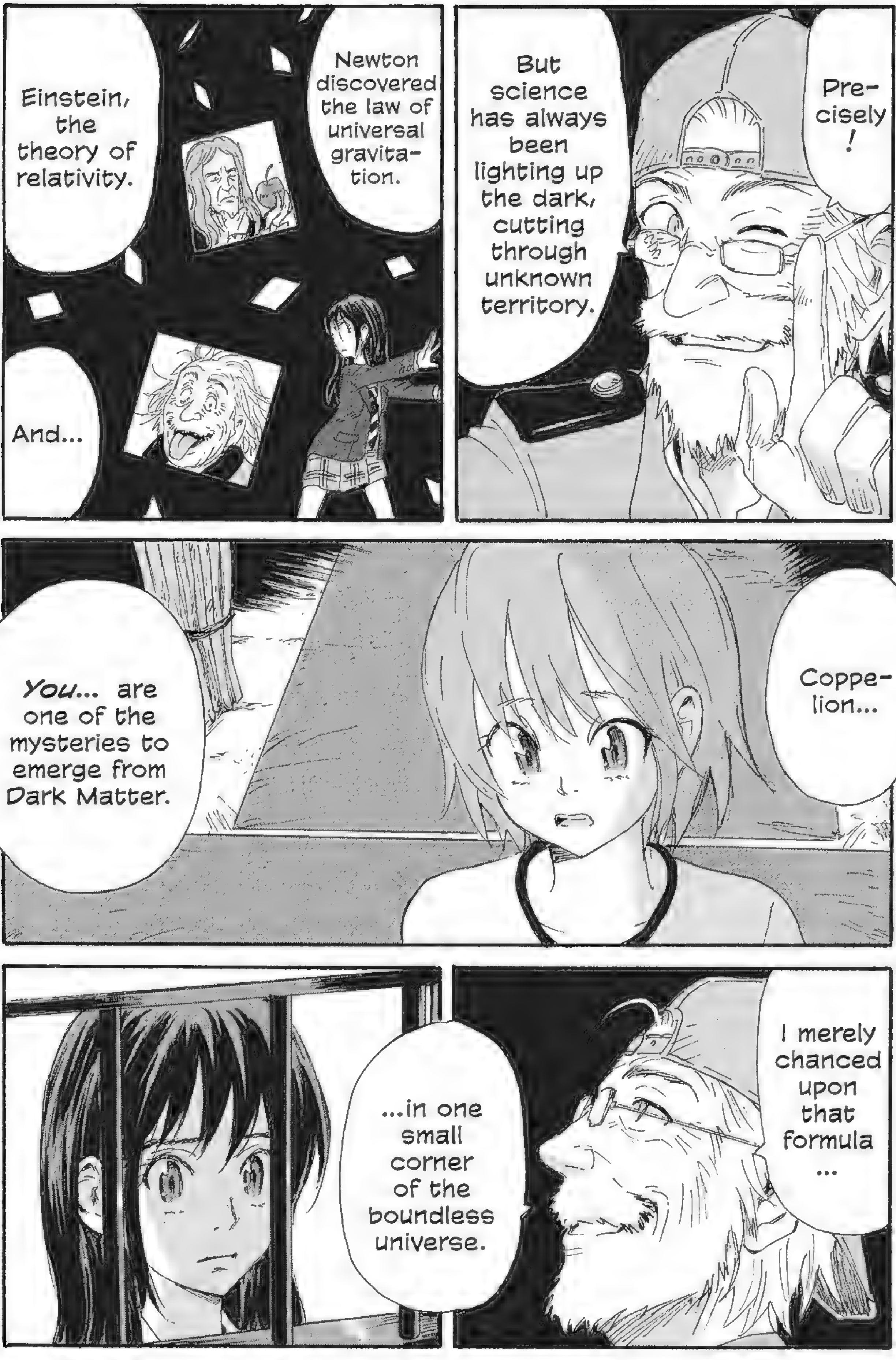

Isn't this, like...
ビュ
FWOOOOO
Yoyogi Stadium ?!
YOYOGI NATIONAL STADIUM

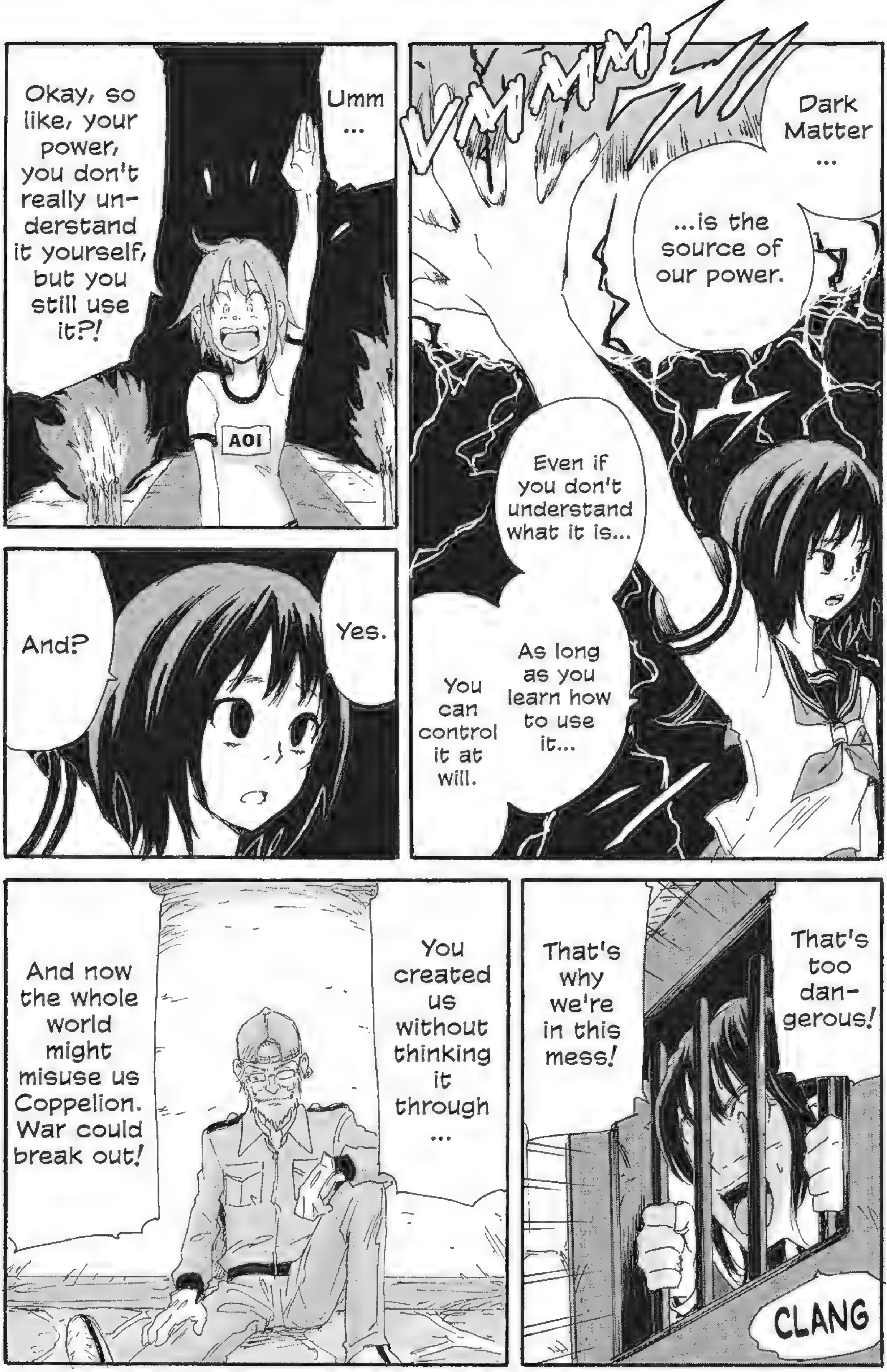

SHELTER 109
PRISON
CHEEP
CHEEP
CHEEP
CHEEP
CHEEP
HUP!
HUP!
Nothing to do but exercise!
Dr. Coppelius.
Hoho ...
Representative Naruse!

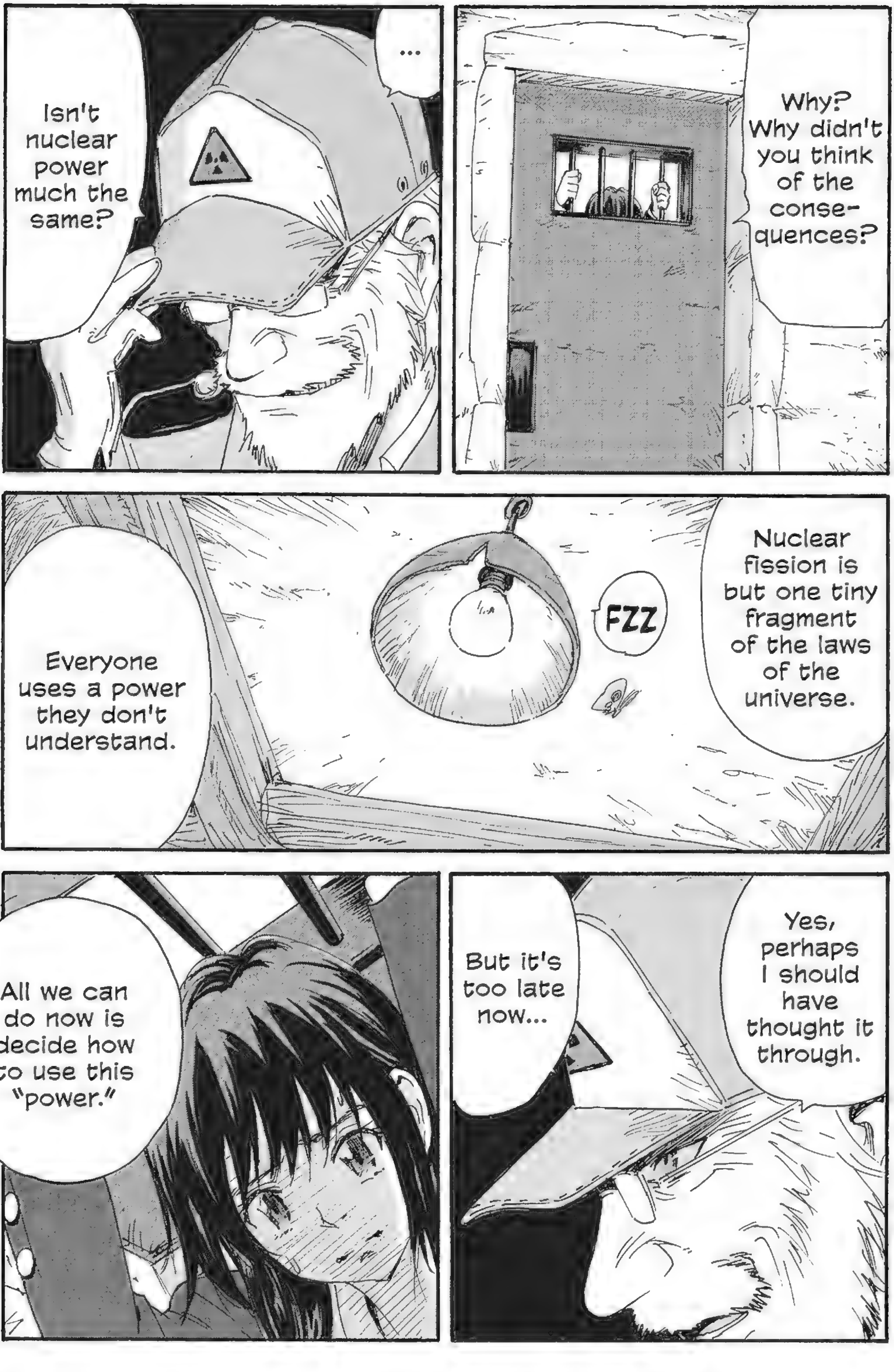

Well ...?
What might you want with this poor prisoner?
It's super dark in here...
I guess there's no electricity ...
ZWOOSH

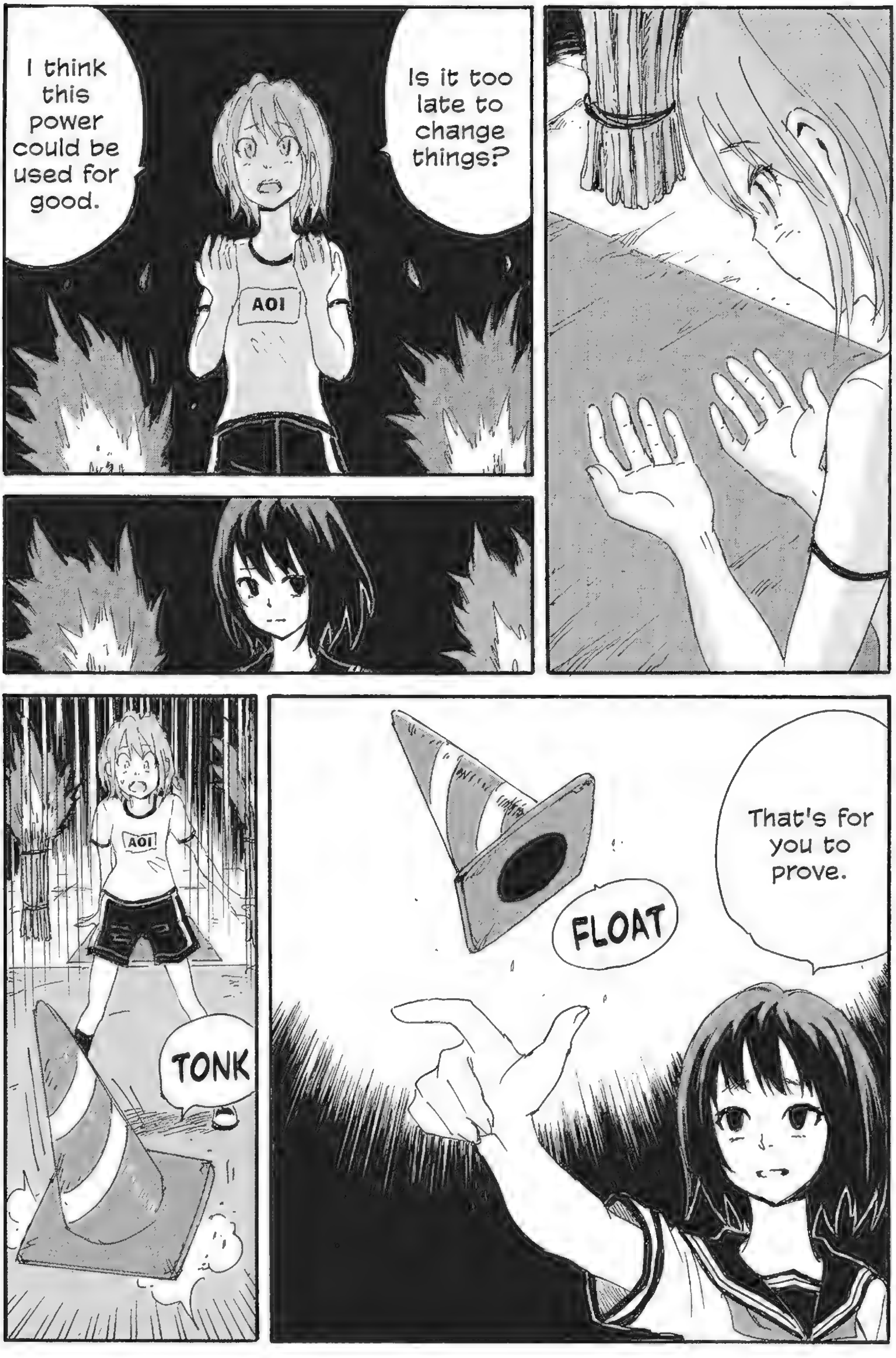

FWOOOM
?!
This is a flare.
You can make them, too.
...
Nope
Nuh-uh.
No way.
"Dark Matter" ...?

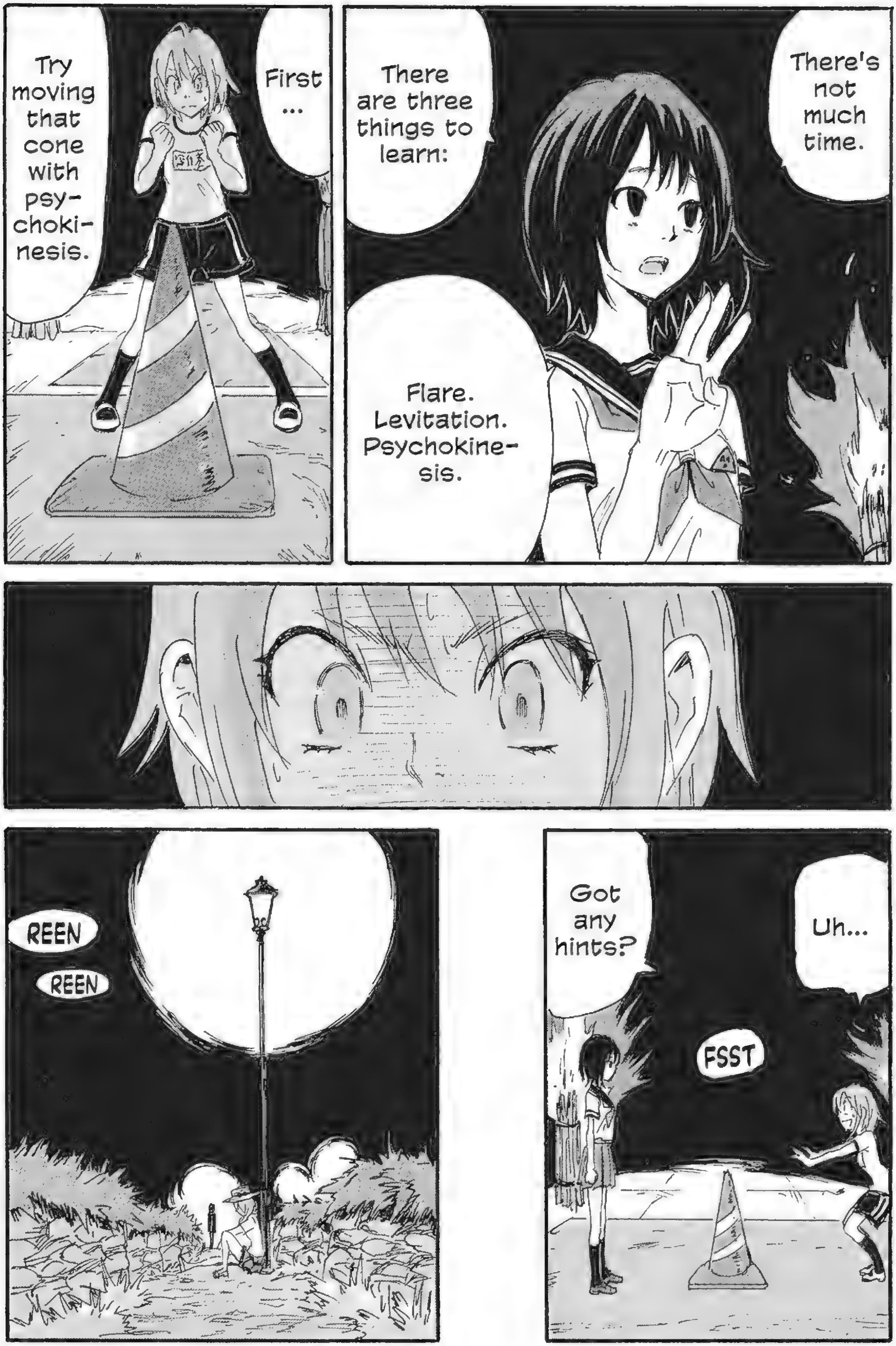

Mana Tsuburaya mentioned it.
Does "Dark Matter"...
...have somethin' to do with how powerful she is?
Dark Matter.
The term refers to a mysterious type of matter hypothesized to constitute a vast amount of the universe.
The elements we're familiar with—hydrogen, helium, and so on—only account for a small percentage of the whole.
Humanity still knows next to nothing about the universe.
So basically, nobody really knows what it is.
And we just call it "Dark Matter"?

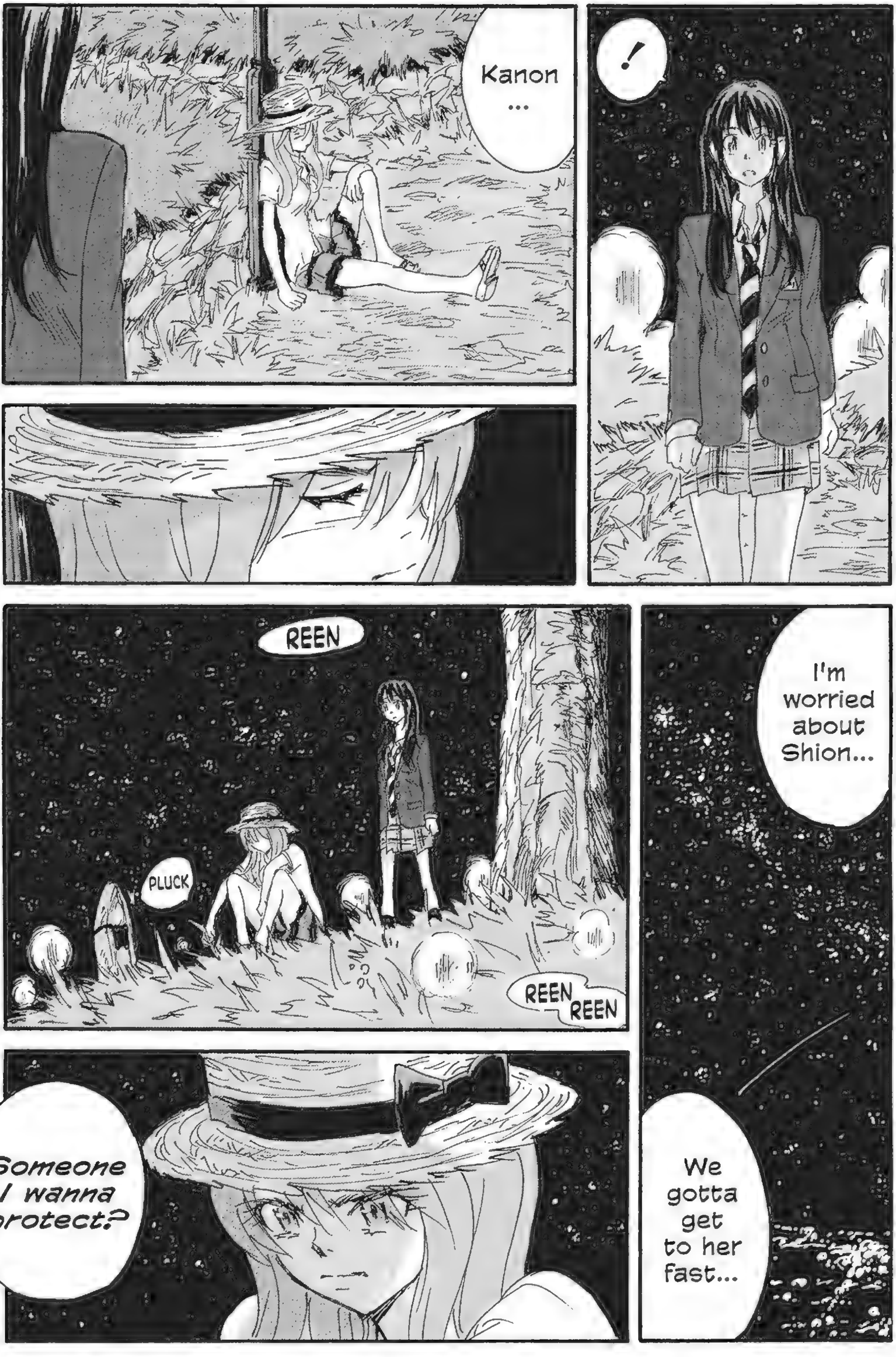

Pre-cisely!
But science has always been lighting up the dark, cutting through unknown territory.
Newton discovered the law of universal gravitation.
Einstein, the theory of relativity.
And...
Coppelion...
You... are one of the mysteries to emerge from Dark Matter.
I merely chanced upon that formula...
...in one small corner of the boundless universe.

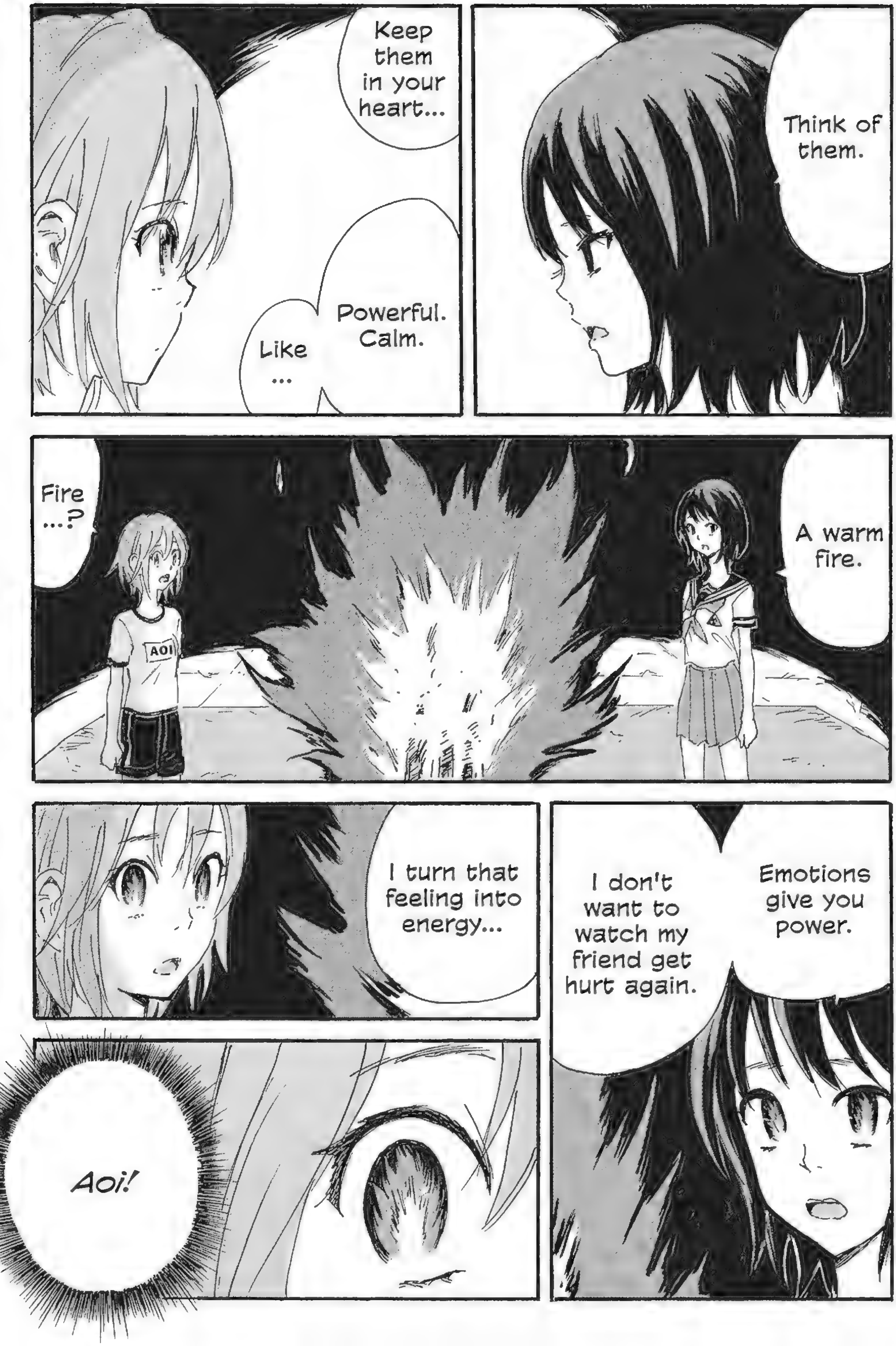

VMMMM
Dark Matter ...
...is the source of our power.
Even if you don't understand what it is...
As long as you learn how to use it...
You can control it at will.
Umm ...
Okay, so like, your power, you don't really understand it yourself, but you still use it?!
Yes.
And?
That's too dangerous!
That's why we're in this mess!
CLANG
You created us without thinking it through ...
And now the whole world might misuse us Coppelion. War could break out!

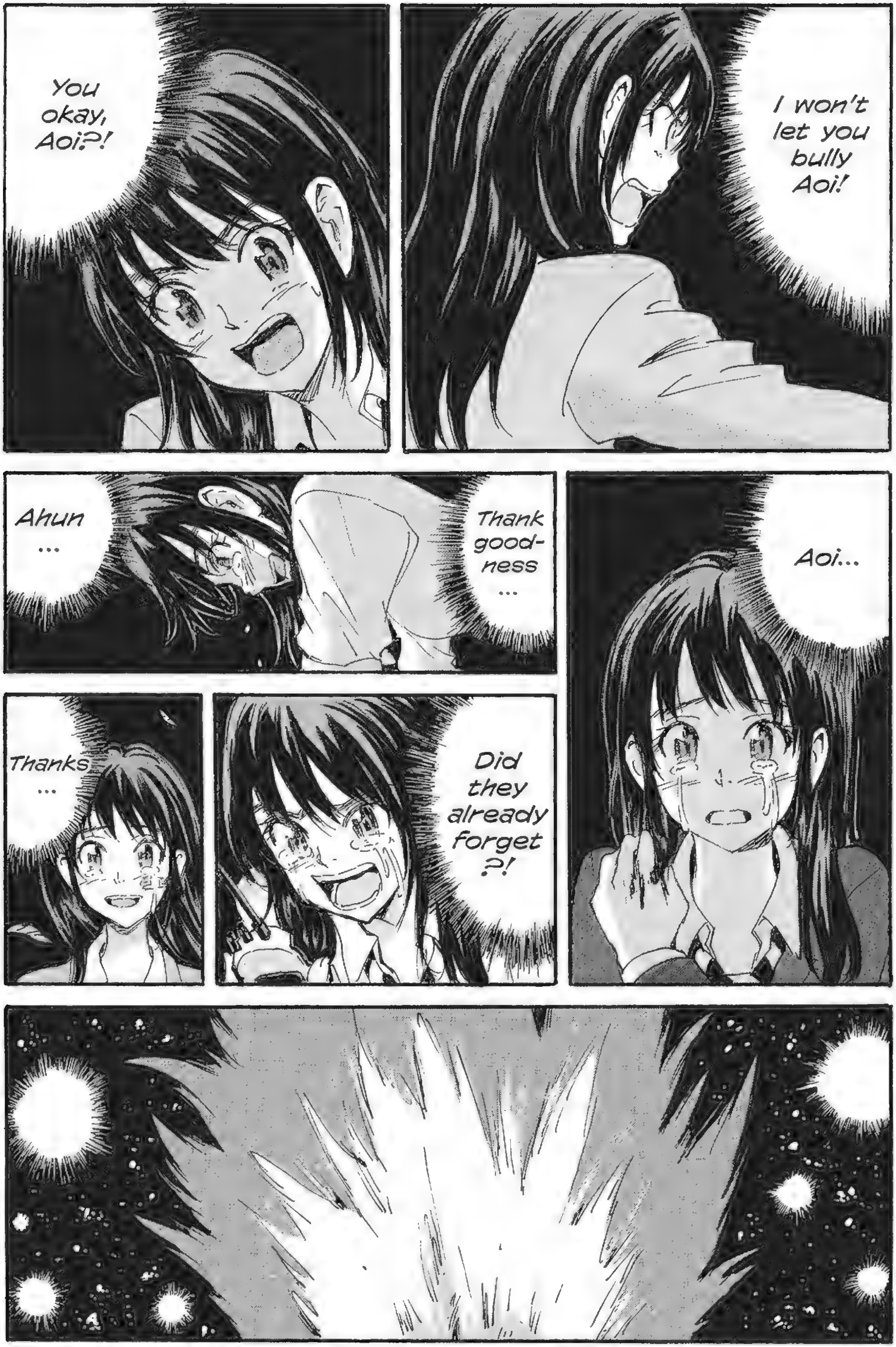

Why? Why didn't you think of the consequences?
...
Isn't nuclear power much the same?
Nuclear fission is but one tiny fragment of the laws of the universe.
FZZ
Everyone uses a power they don't understand.
Yes, perhaps I should have thought it through.
But it's too late now...
All we can do now is decide how to use this "power."

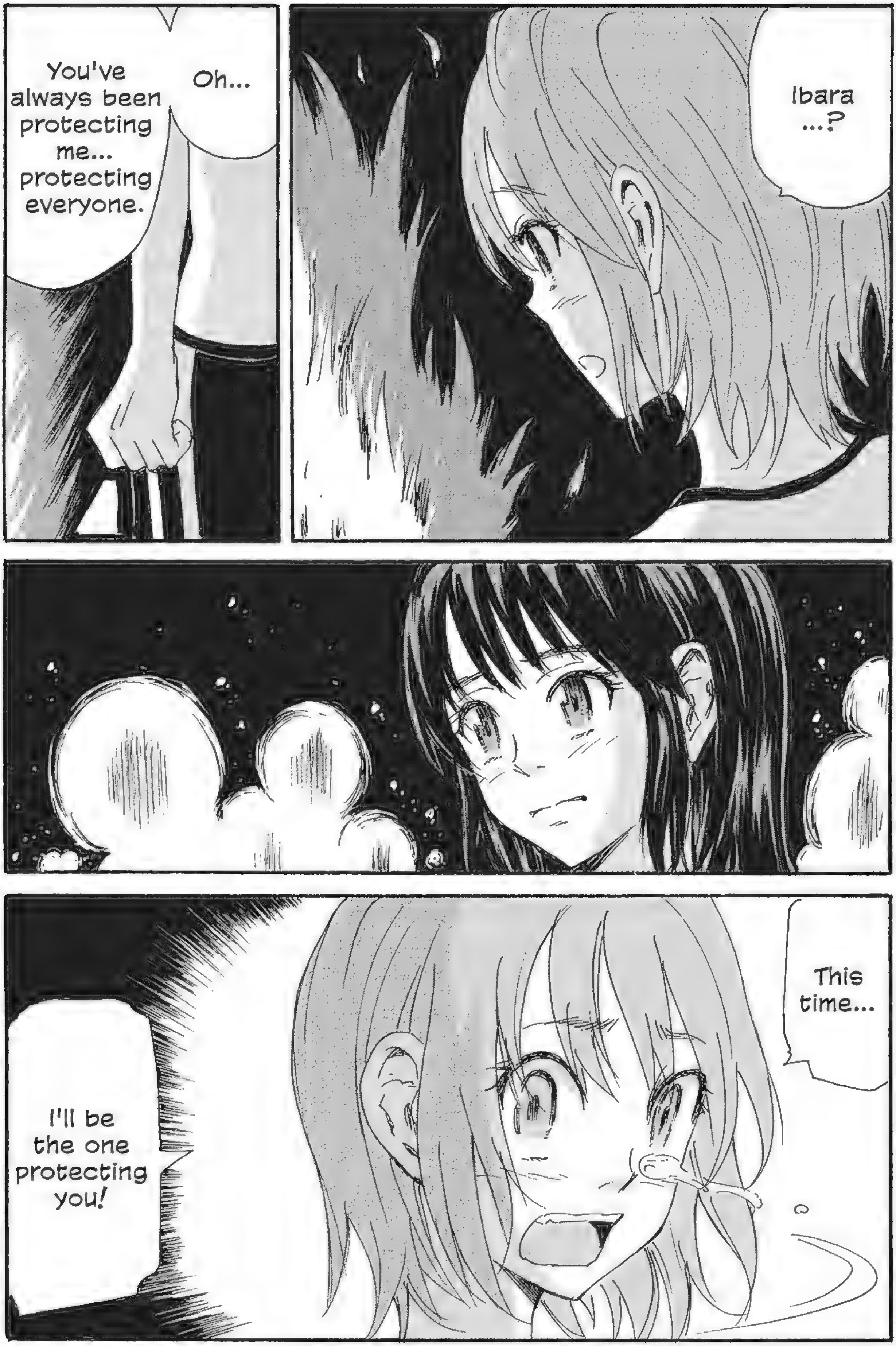

I think this power could be used for good.
Is it too late to change things?
AOI
AOI
FLOAT
That's for you to prove.
TONK

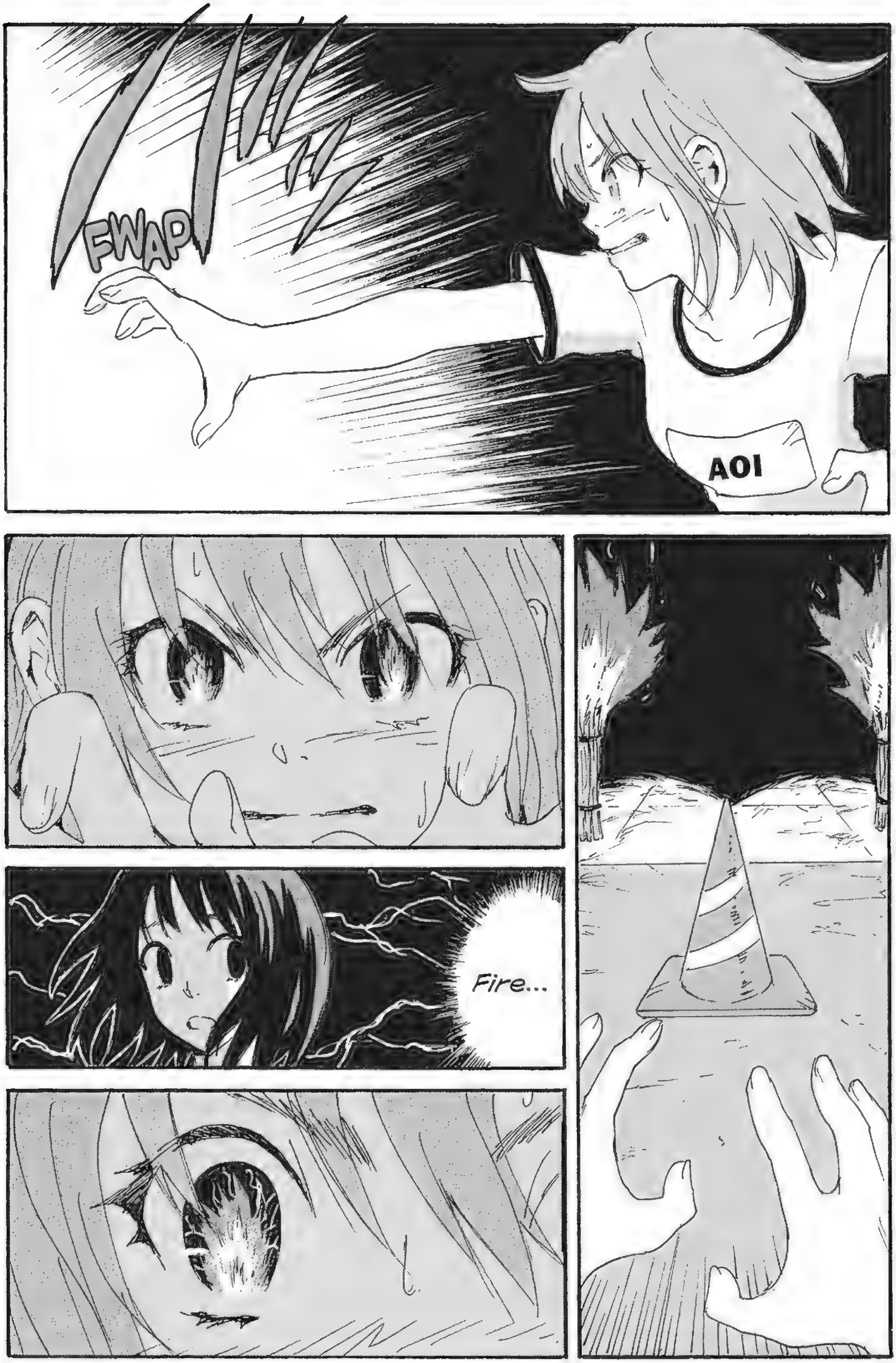

There's not much time.
There are three things to learn:
Flare. Levitation. Psychokinesis.
First...
Try moving that cone with psychokinesis.
Uh...
Got any hints?
FSST
REEN
REEN

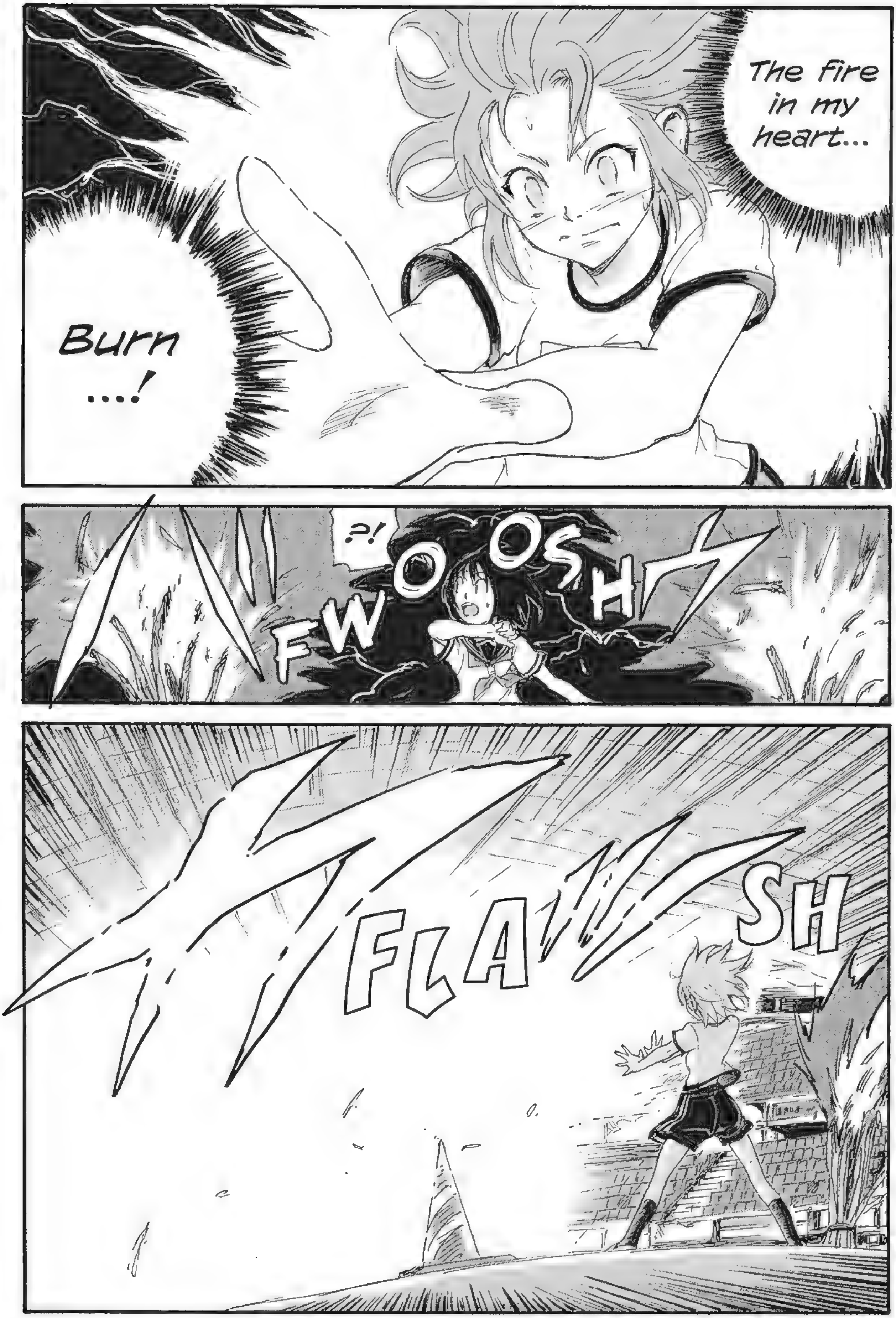

!
Kanon ...
I'm worried about Shion...
REEN
PLUCK
REEN REEN
We gotta get to her fast...
Someone I wanna protect?

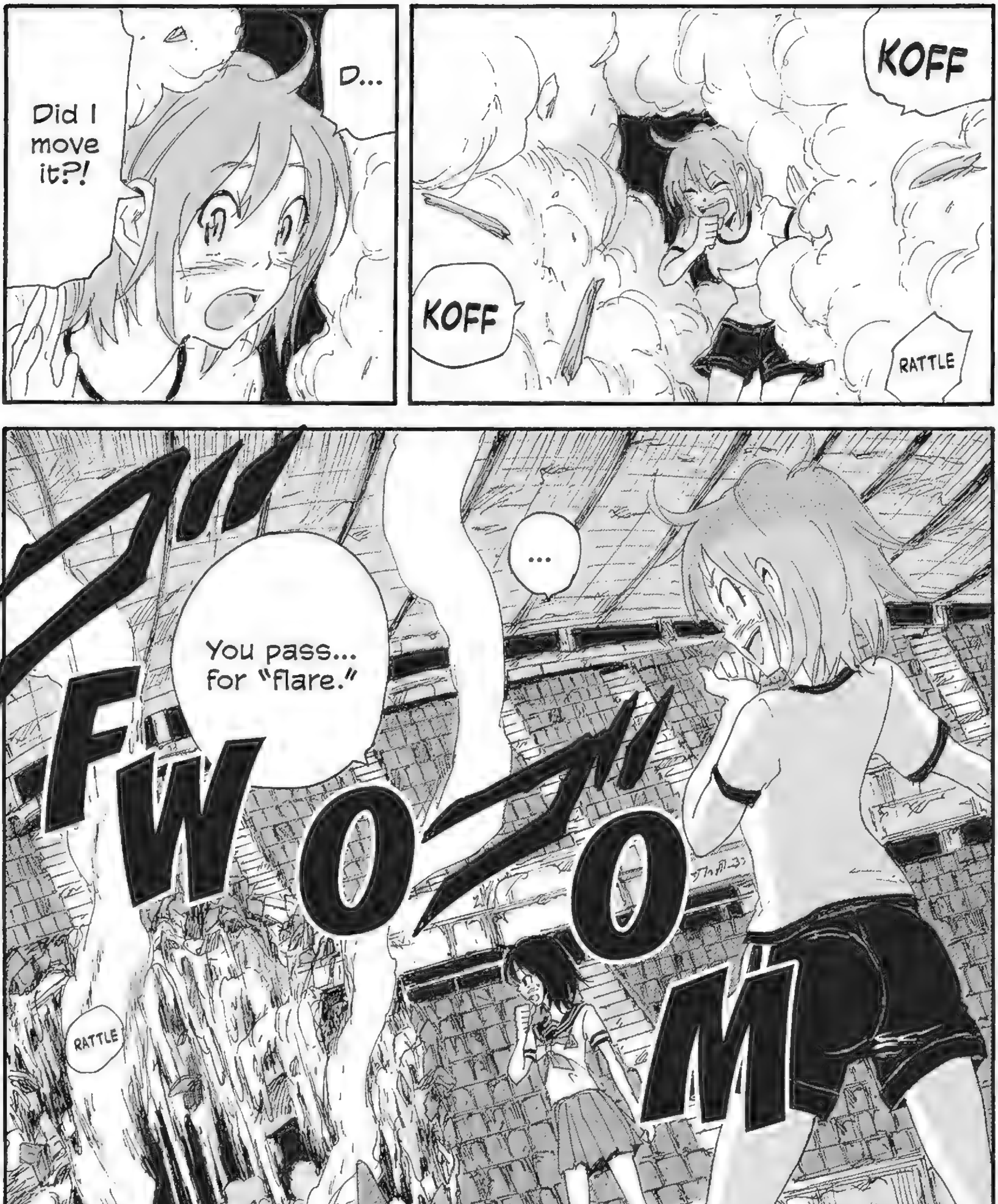

Think of them.
Keep them in your heart...
Powerful. Calm.
Like ...
A warm fire.
Fire ...?
AOI
Emotions give you power.
I don't want to watch my friend get hurt again.
I turn that feeling into energy...
Aoi!

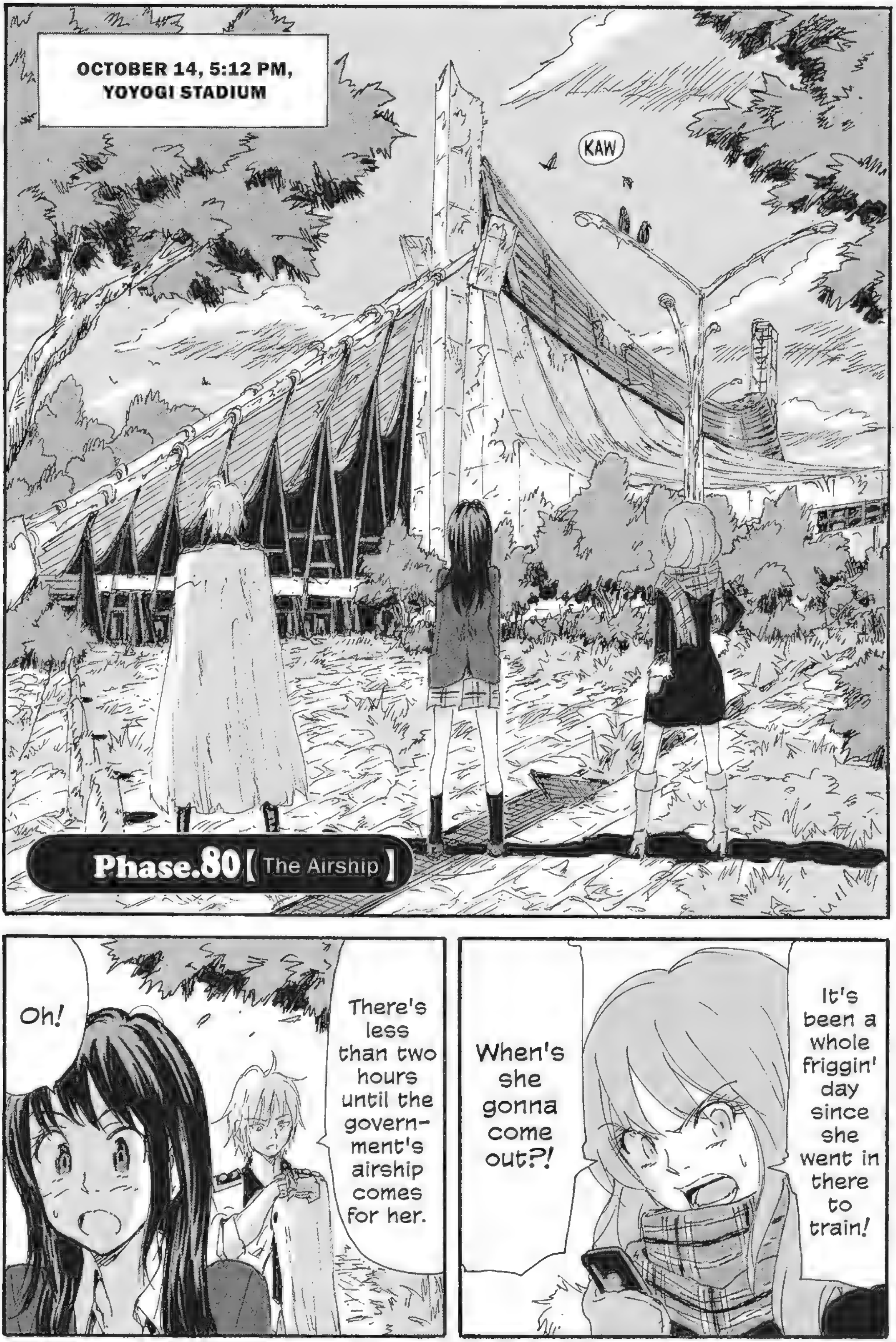

You okay, Aoi?!
I won't let you bully Aoi!
Ahun...
Thank goodness...
Aoi...
Thanks...
Did they already forget?!

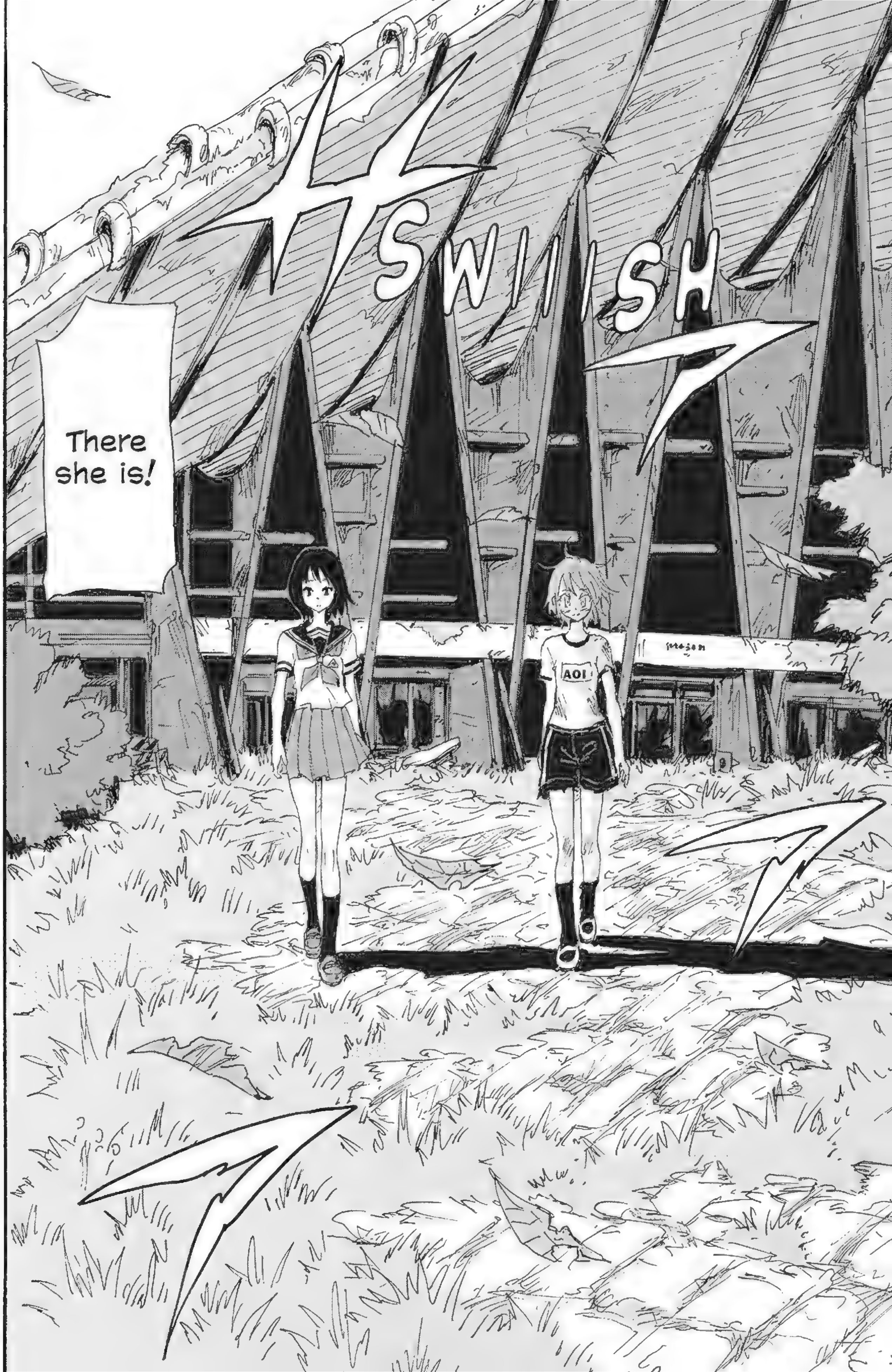

Ibara ...?
Oh...
You've always been protecting me... protecting everyone.
This time...
I'll be the one protecting you!

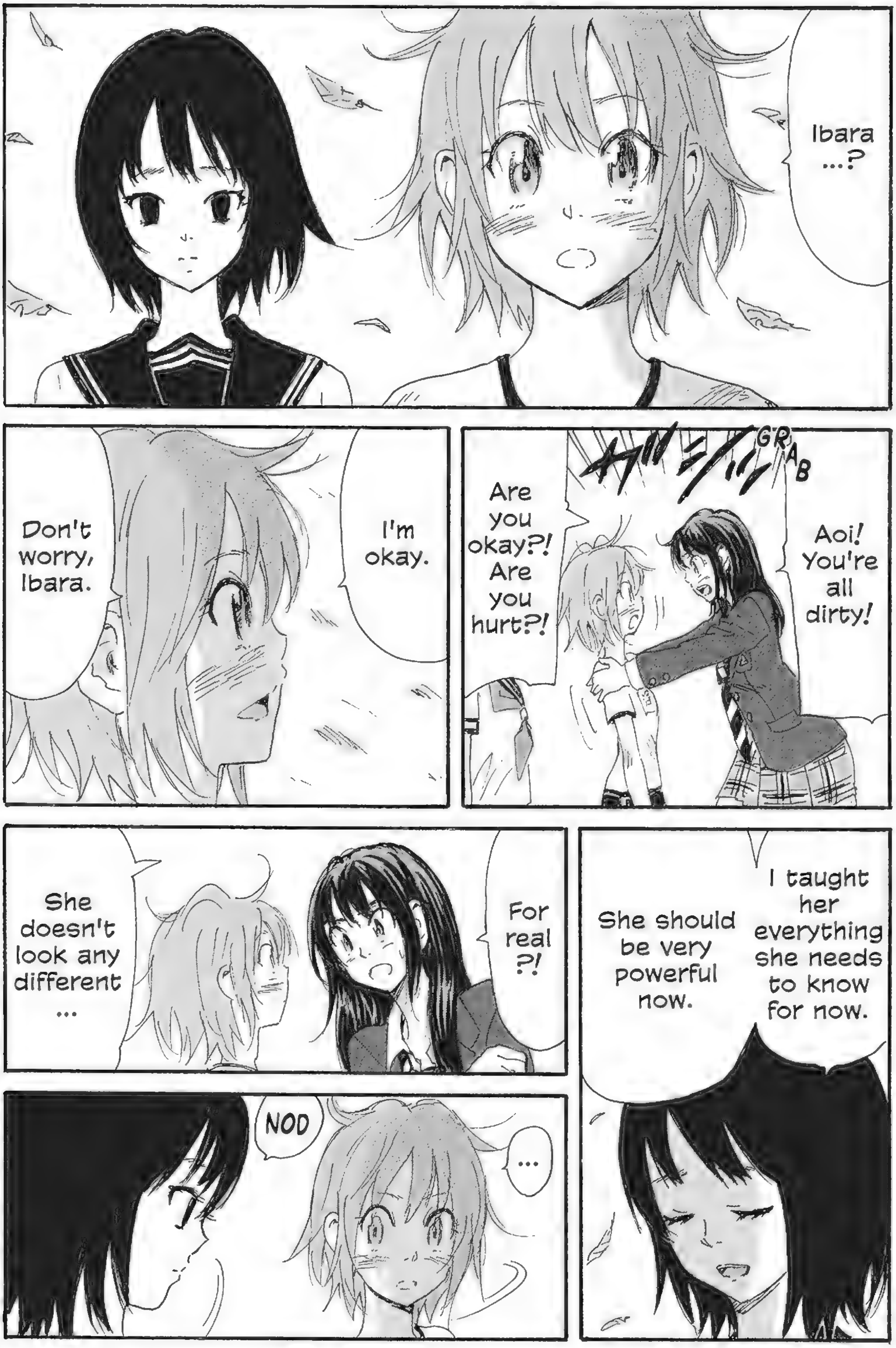

FWAP
AOI
Fire...

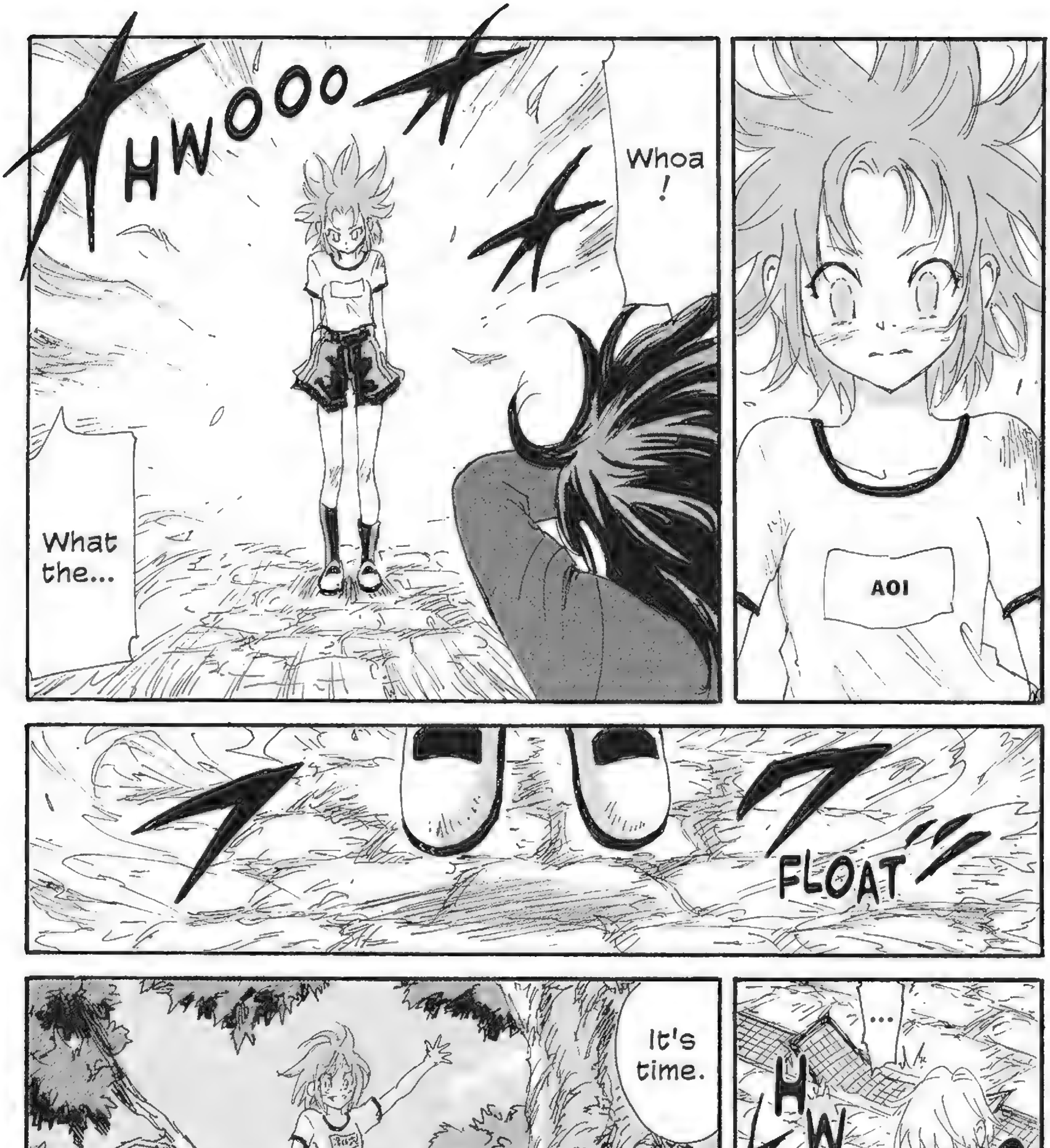

The fire in my heart...
Burn ...!
?!
FWOOSH
FLASH

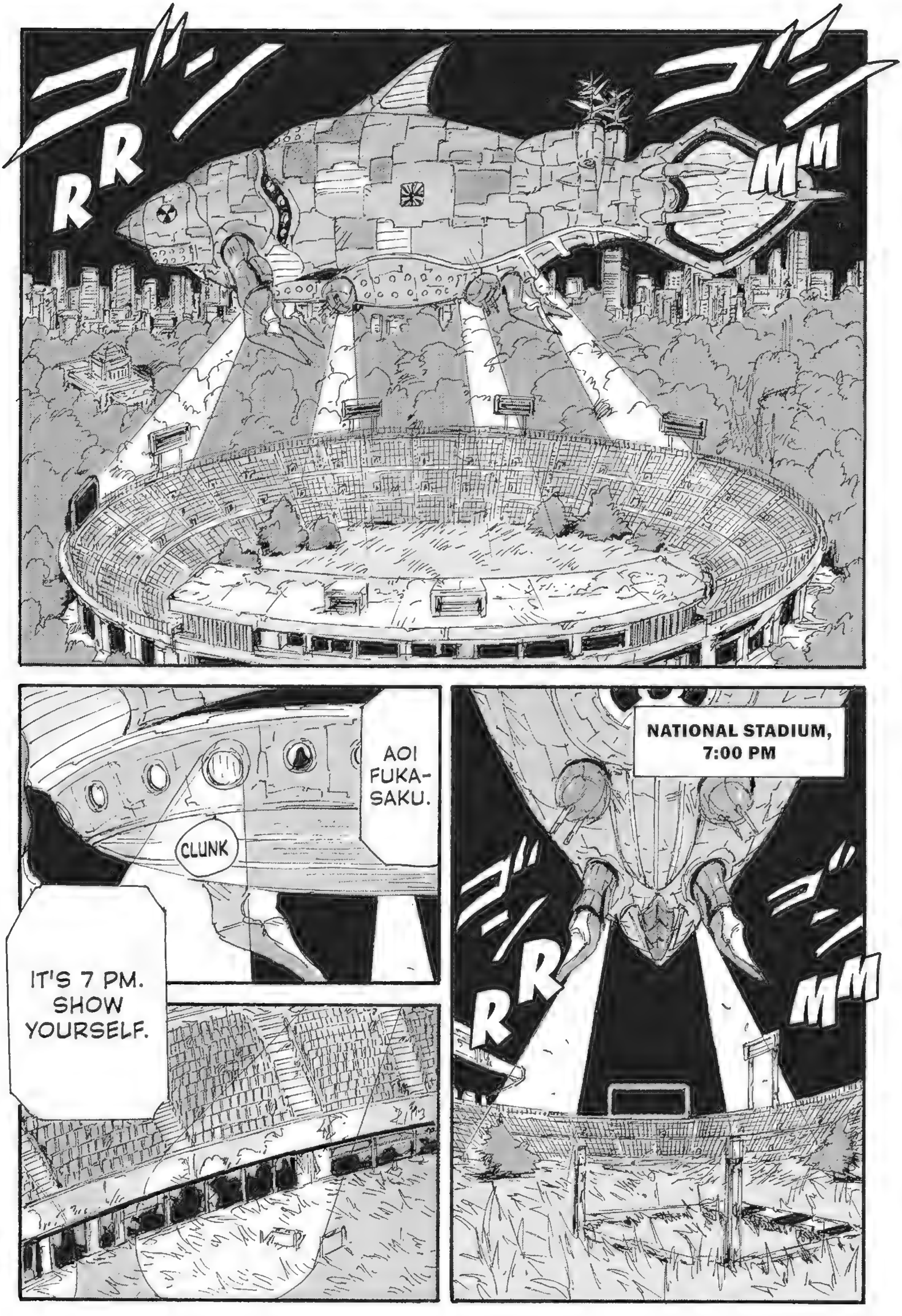

KOFF
KOFF
RATTLE
D...
Did I move it?!
...
You pass... for "flare."
FWOOM
RATTLE
RATTLE
全日本柔道選手権
P-79 END

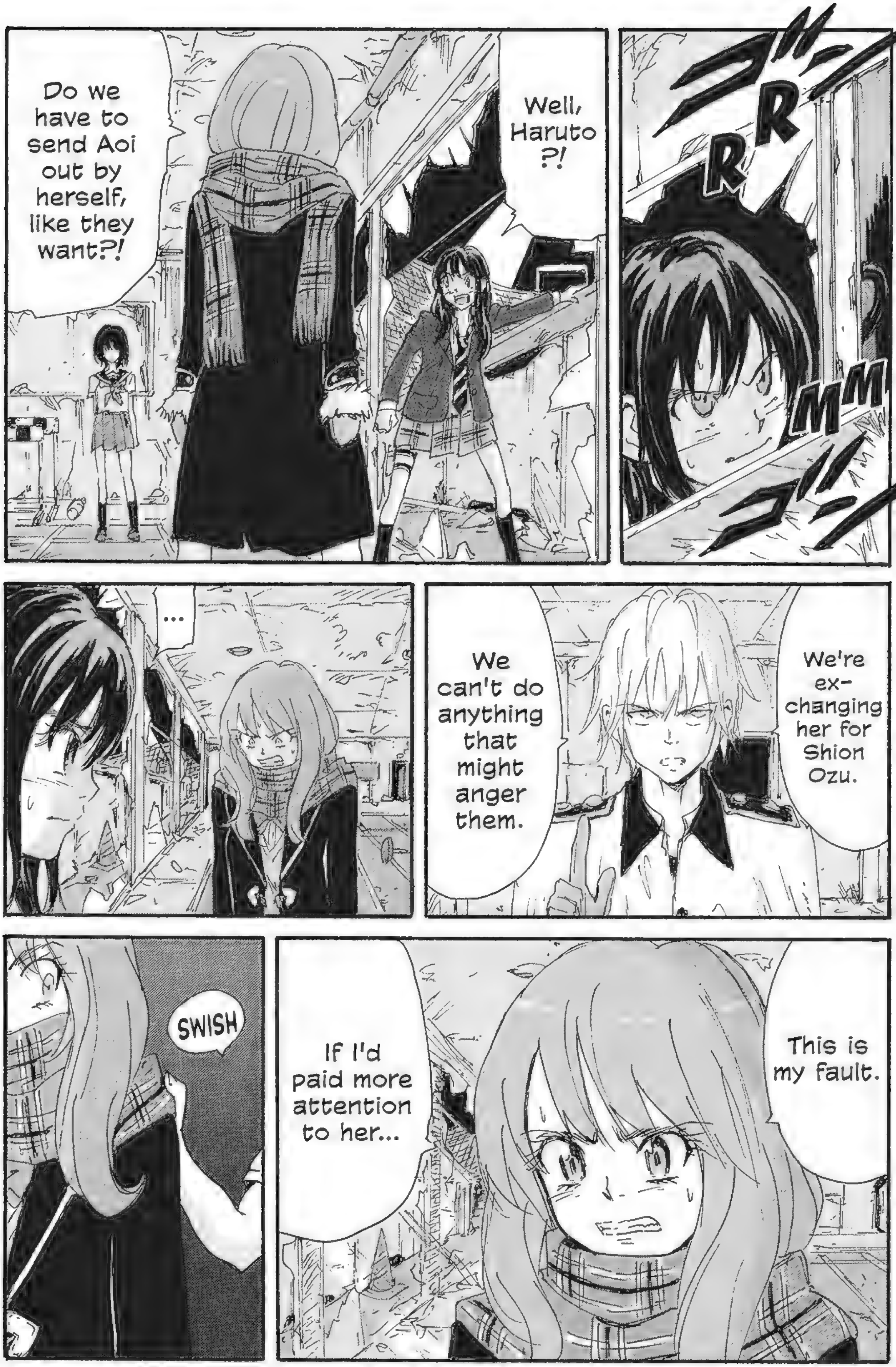

OCTOBER 14, 5:12 PM, YOYOGI STADIUM
KAW
Phase.80 [The Airship]
It's been a whole friggin' day since she went in there to train!
When's she gonna come out?!
There's less than two hours until the government's airship comes for her.
Oh!

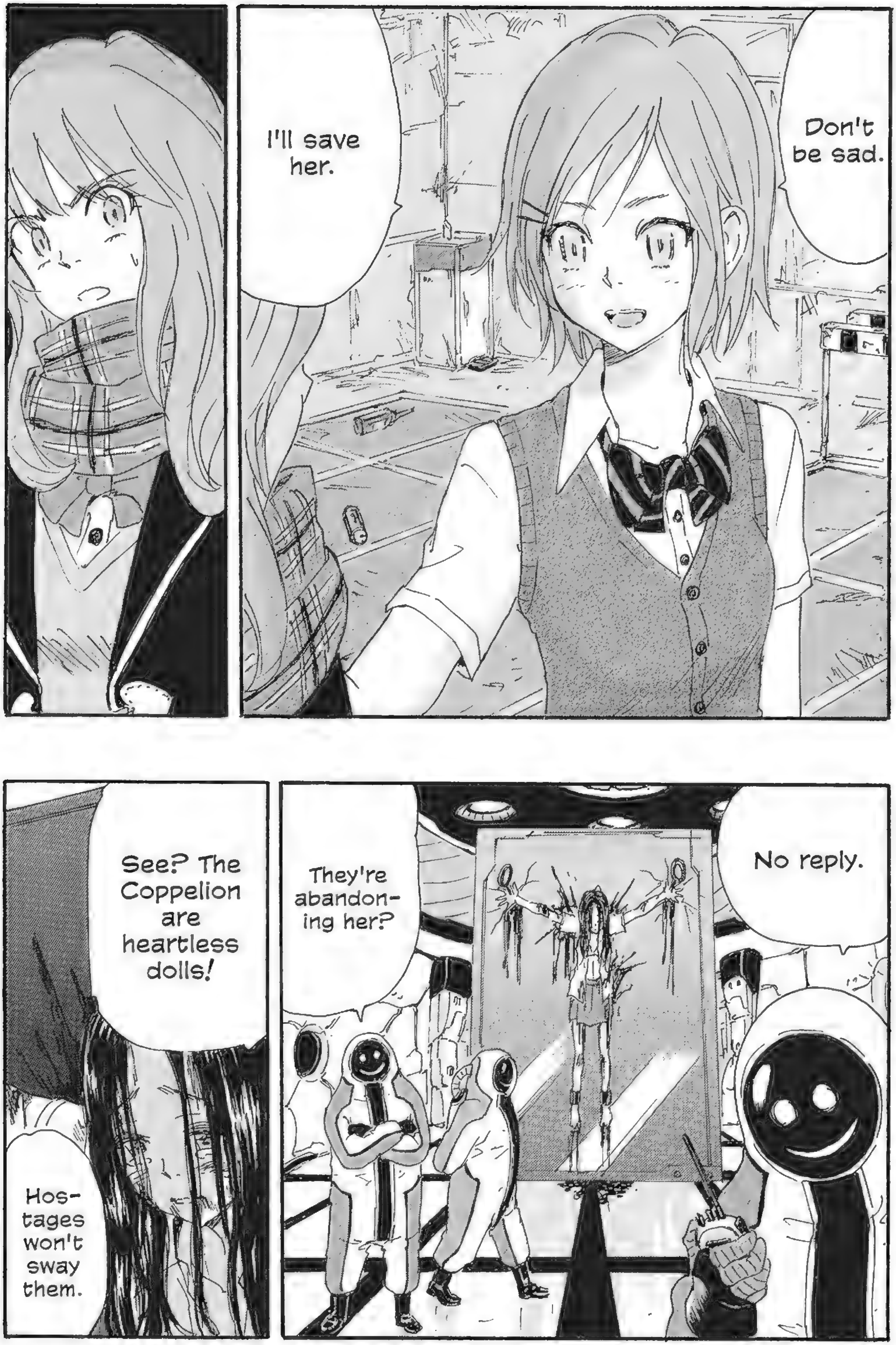

SWIIISH
There she is!
AOI

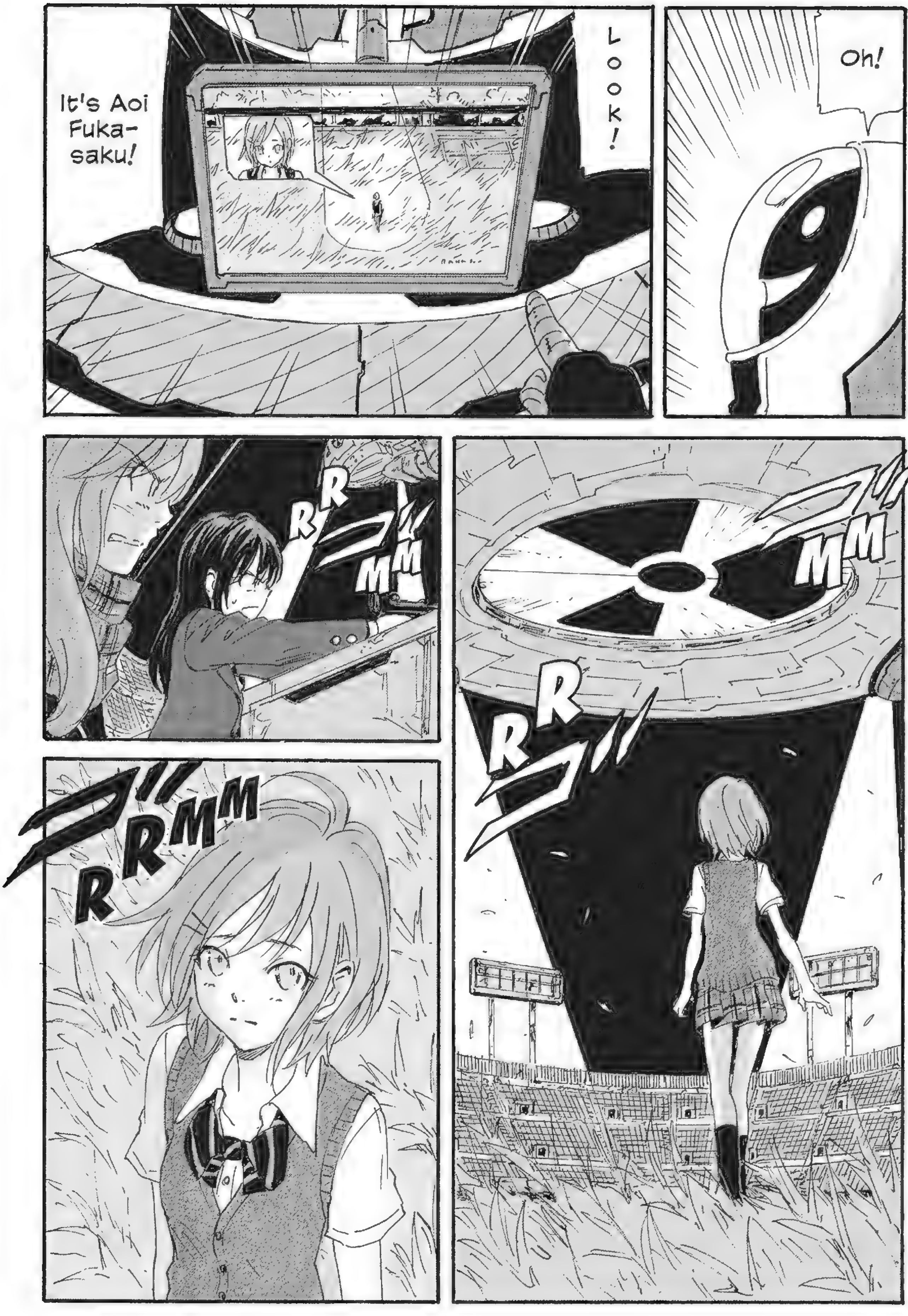

Ibara ...?
Aoi! You're all dirty!
GRAB
Are you okay?! Are you hurt?!
I'm okay.
Don't worry, Ibara.
I taught her everything she needs to know for now.
She should be very powerful now.
For real?!
She doesn't look any different ...
...
NOD

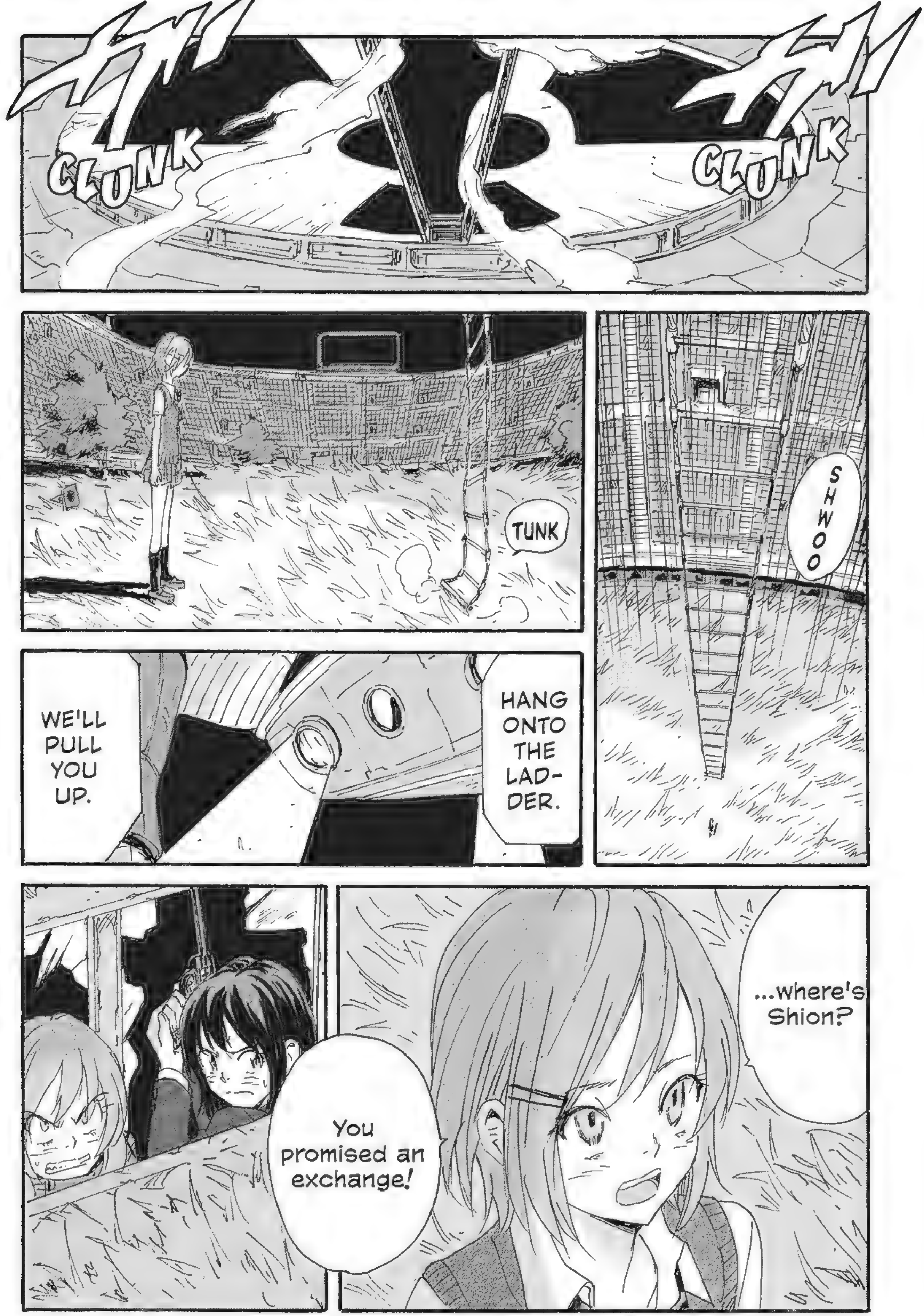

AOI
HWOOO
Whoa!
What the...
FLOAT
...
HWOOOOO
It's time.
We'll have dinner, then head to National Stadium.

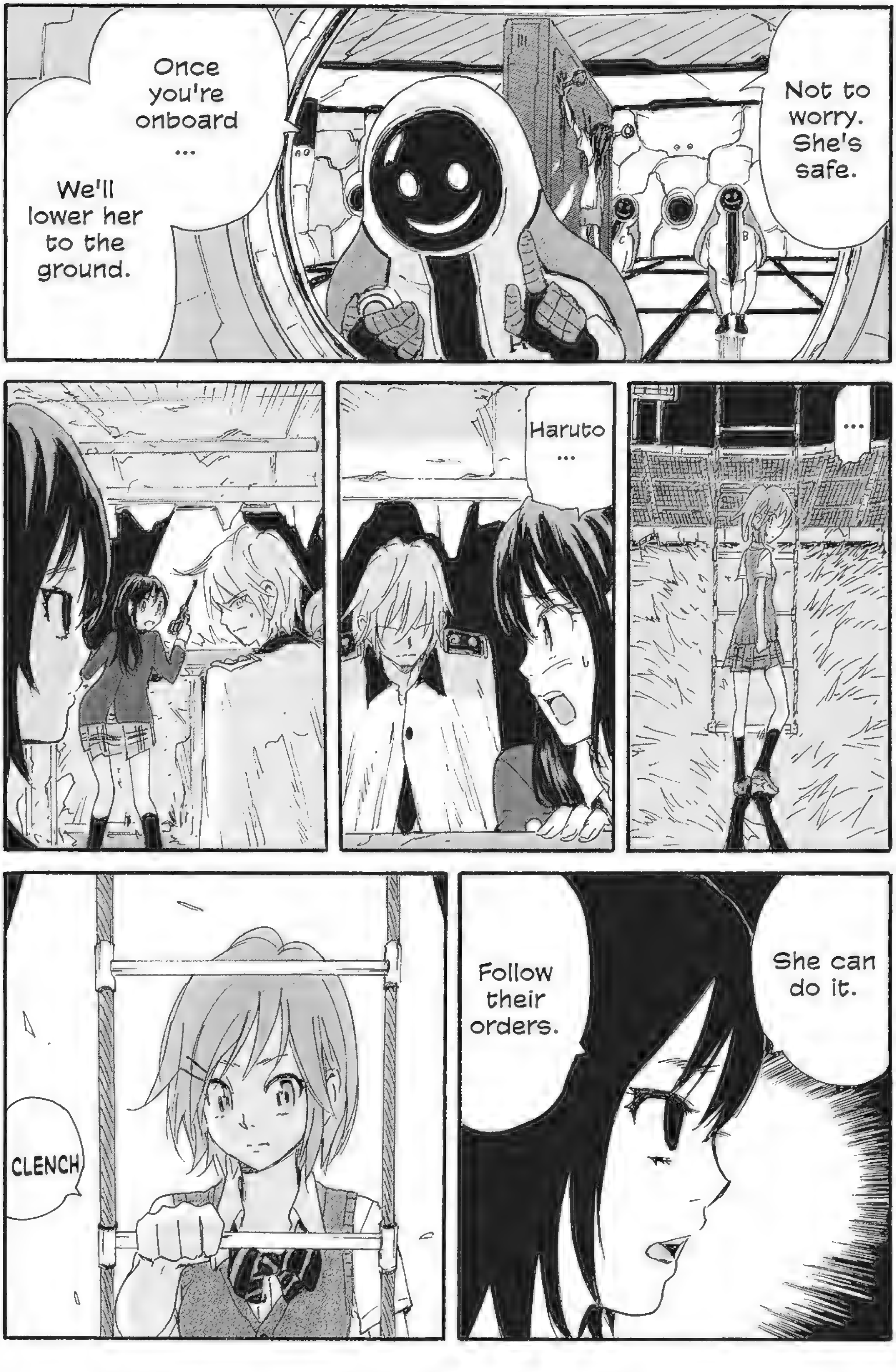

ゴン
MMM
ゴン
RRR
NATIONAL STADIUM, 7:00 PM
ゴン
MMM
ゴン
RRR
AOI FUKA-SAKU.
CLUNK
IT'S 7 PM. SHOW YOURSELF.

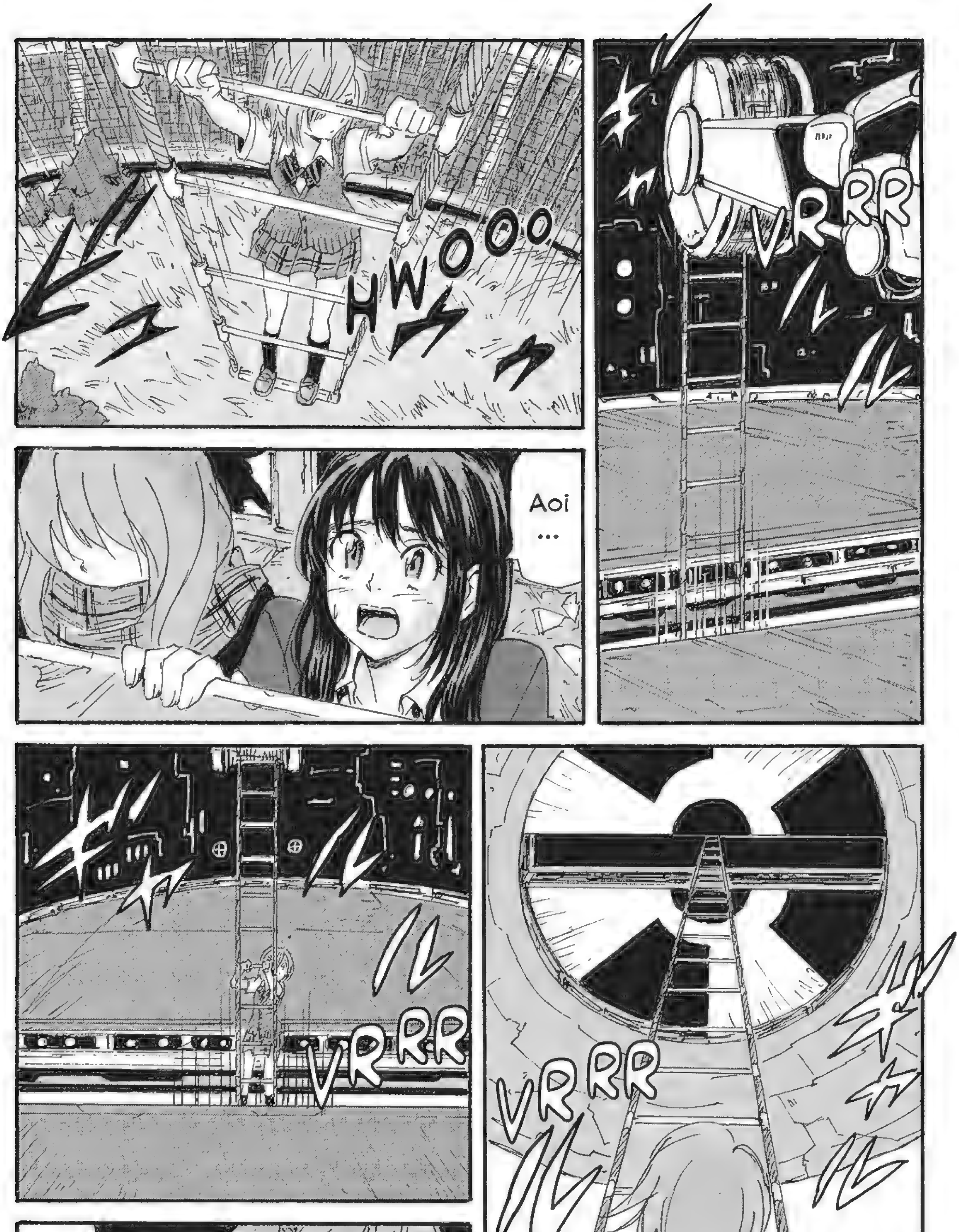

RRRMMM
Well, Haruto?!
Do we have to send Aoi out by herself, like they want?!
We're exchanging her for Shion Ozu.
We can't do anything that might anger them.
...
This is my fault.
If I'd paid more attention to her...
SWISH

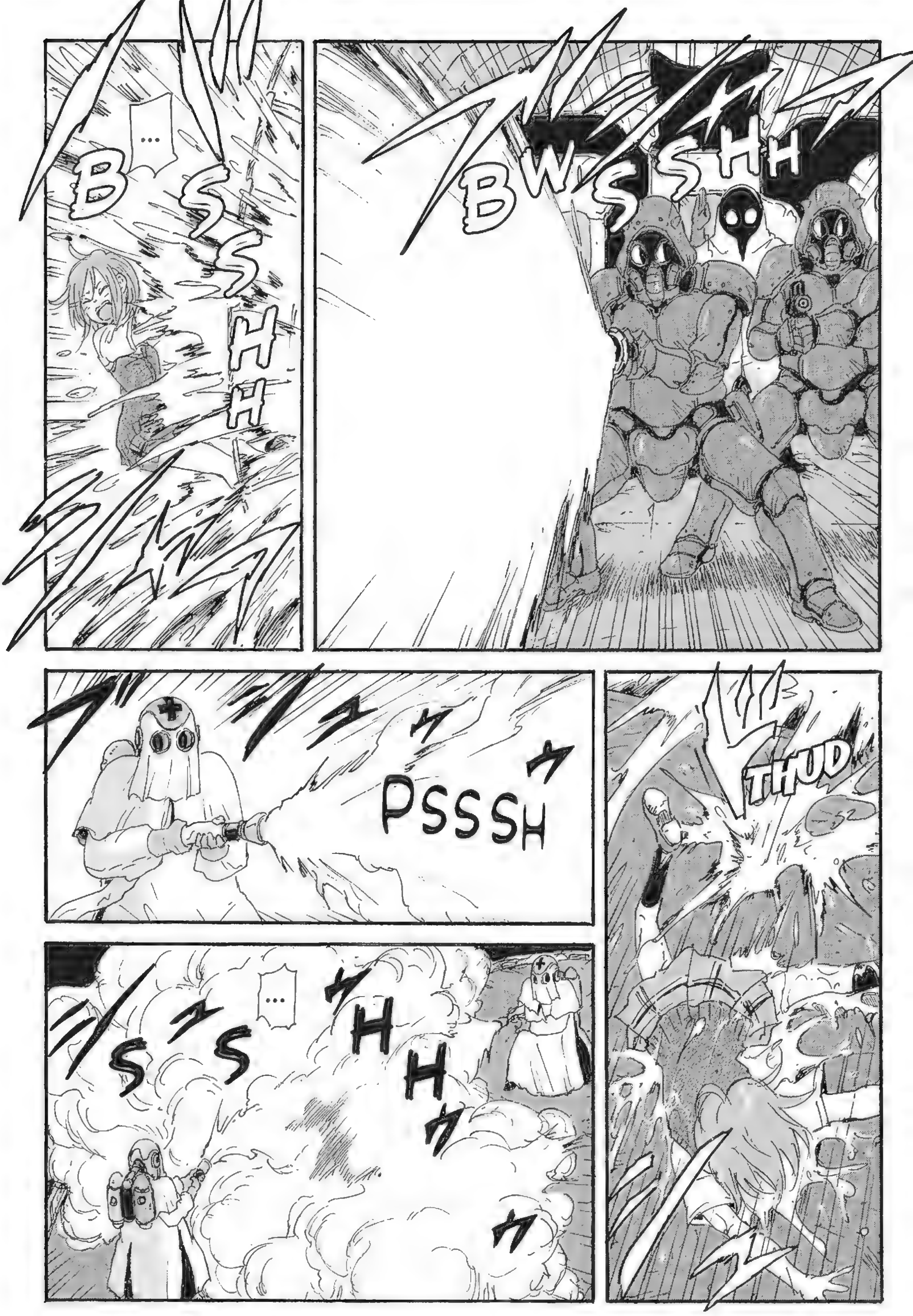

Don't be sad.
I'll save her.
No reply.
They're abandoning her?
See? The Coppelion are heartless dolls!
Hostages won't sway them.

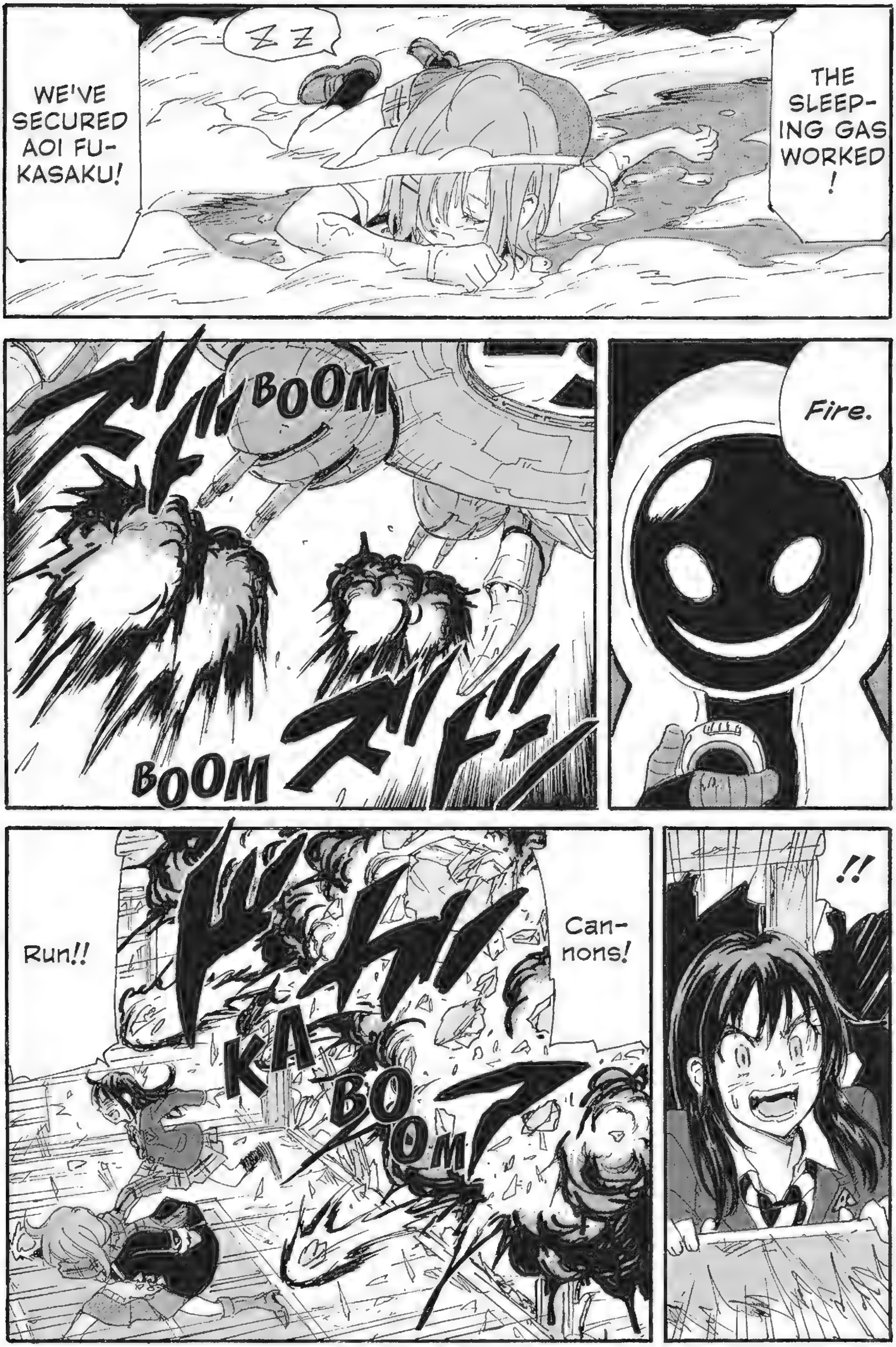

Oh!
Look!
It's Aoi Fuka-saku!
RRMM
RRMM
RRRMMM

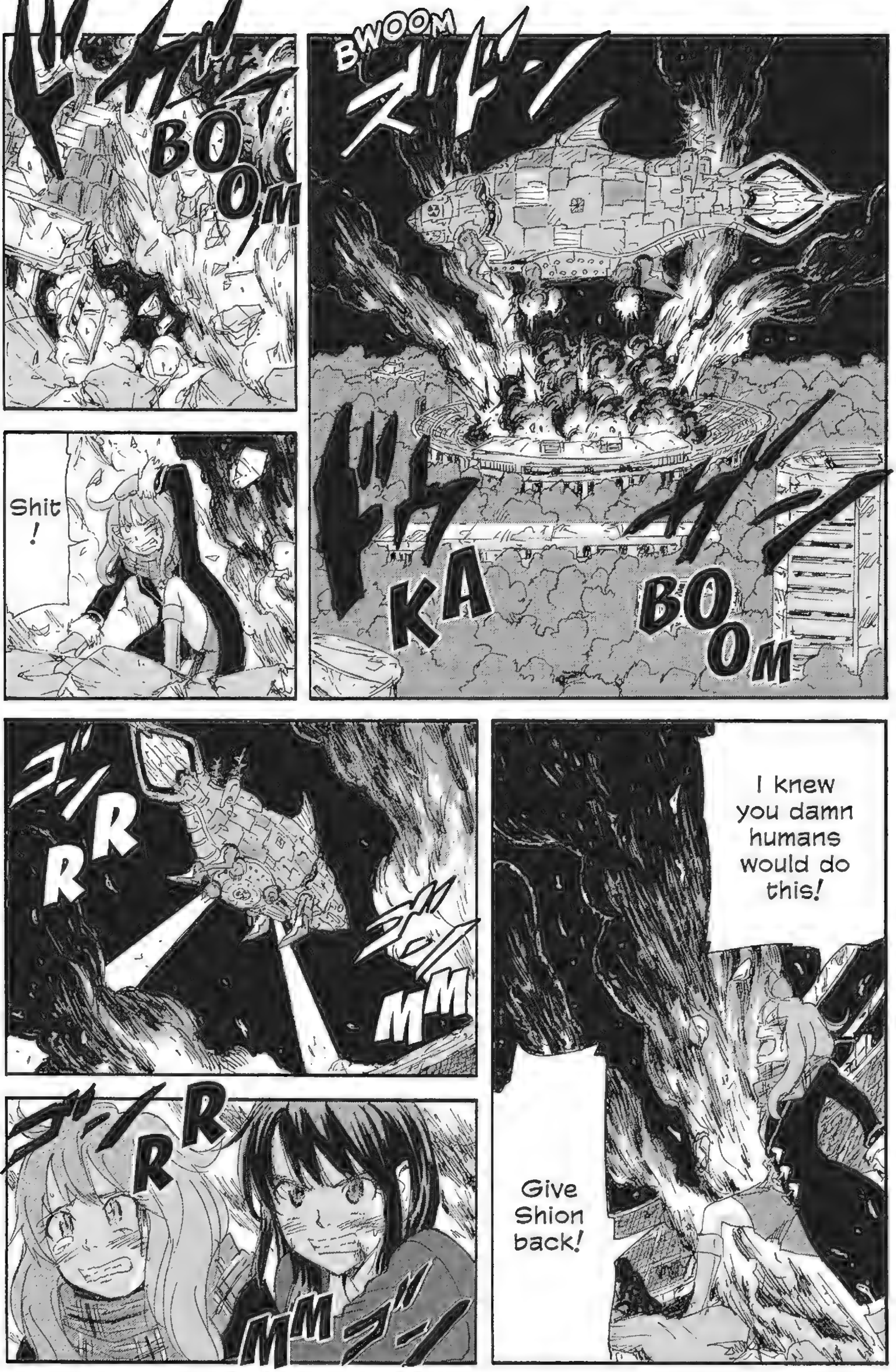

CLUNK
CLUNK
SHWOO
TUNK
HANG ONTO THE LADDER.
WE'LL PULL YOU UP.
...where's Shion?
You promised an exchange!

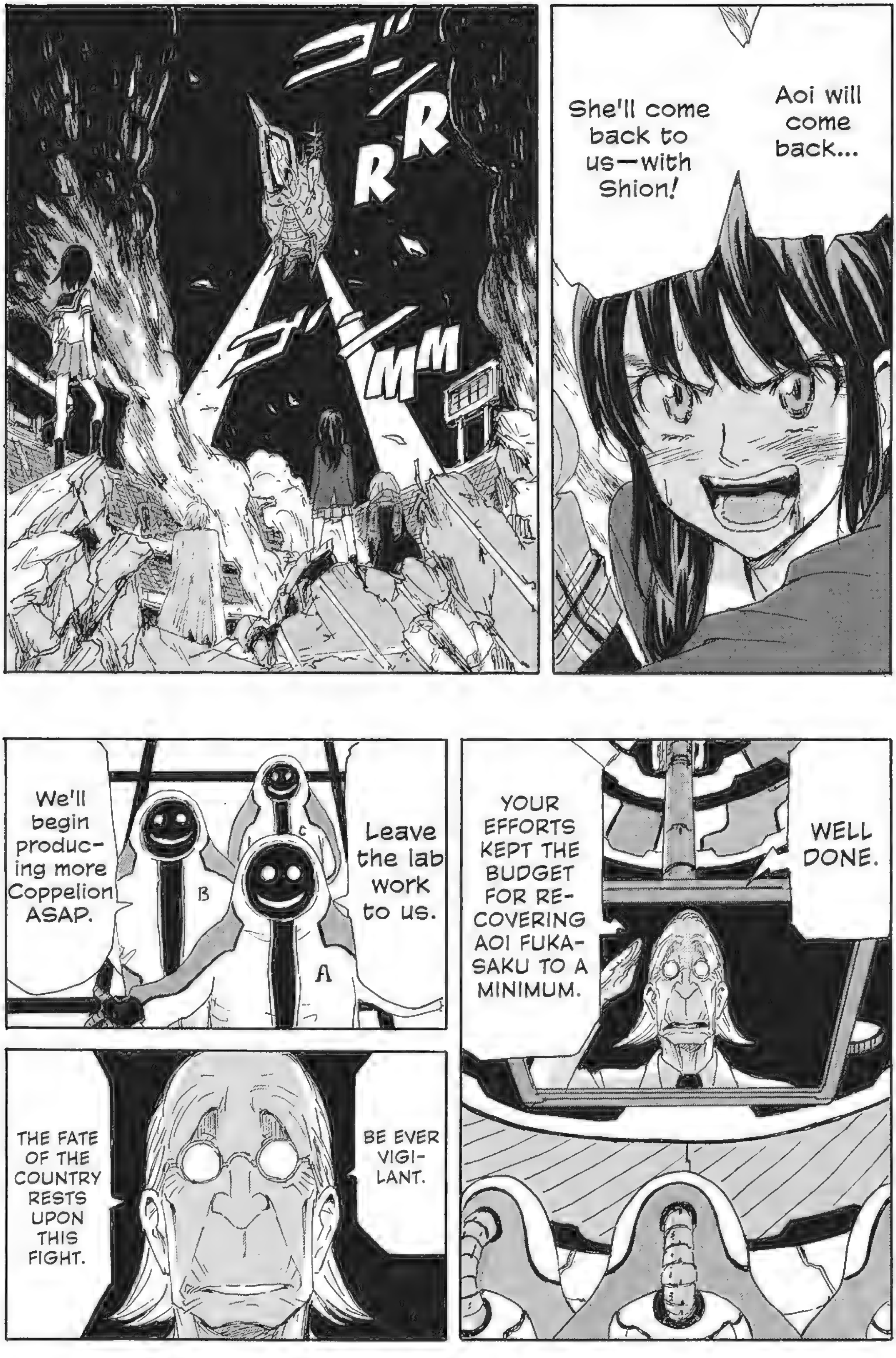

Not to worry. She's safe.
Once you're onboard ...
We'll lower her to the ground.
...
Haruto ...
She can do it.
Follow their orders.
CLENCH

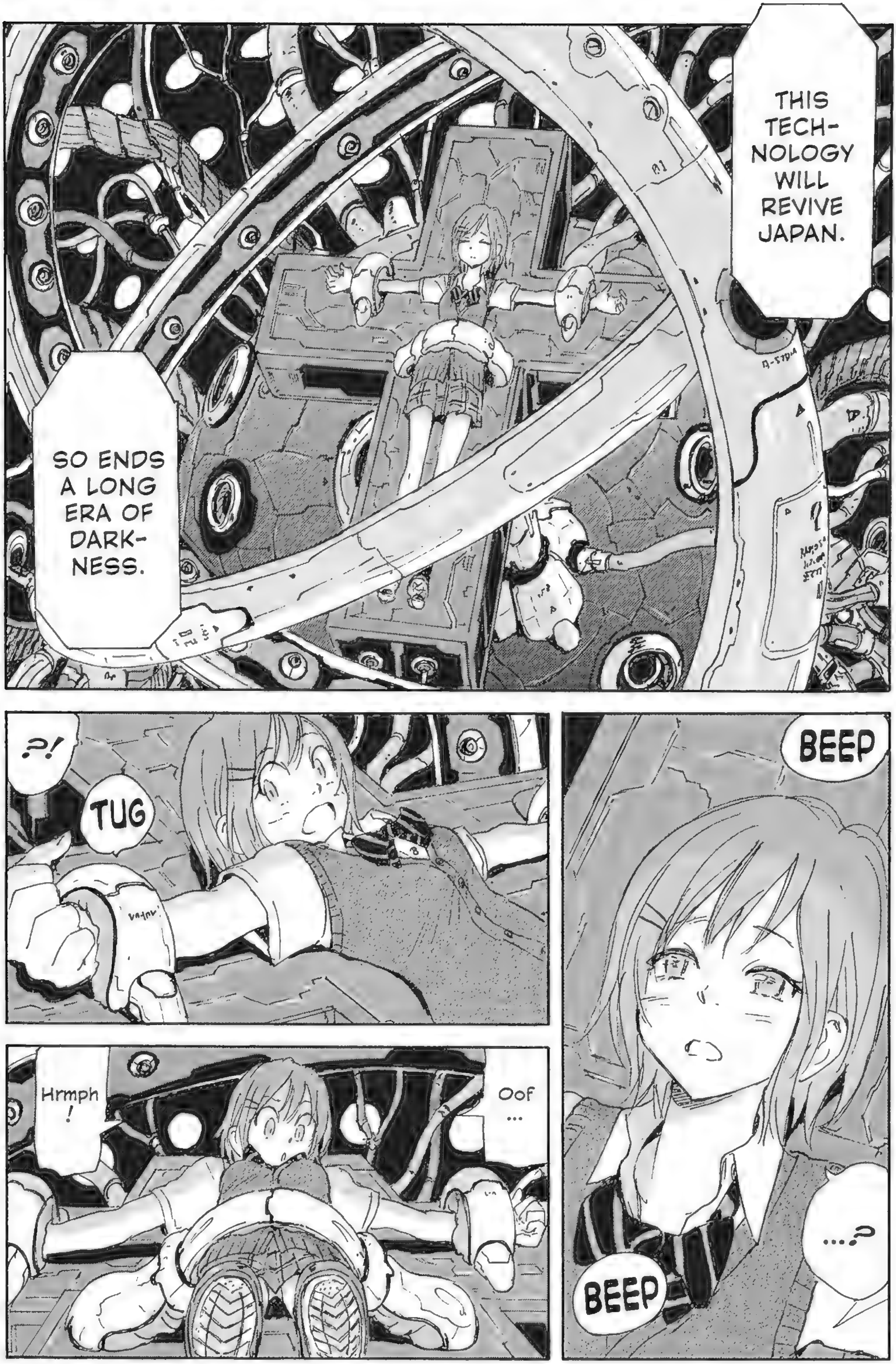

VRRR
HWOOO
Aoi ...
VRRR
VRRR
?!

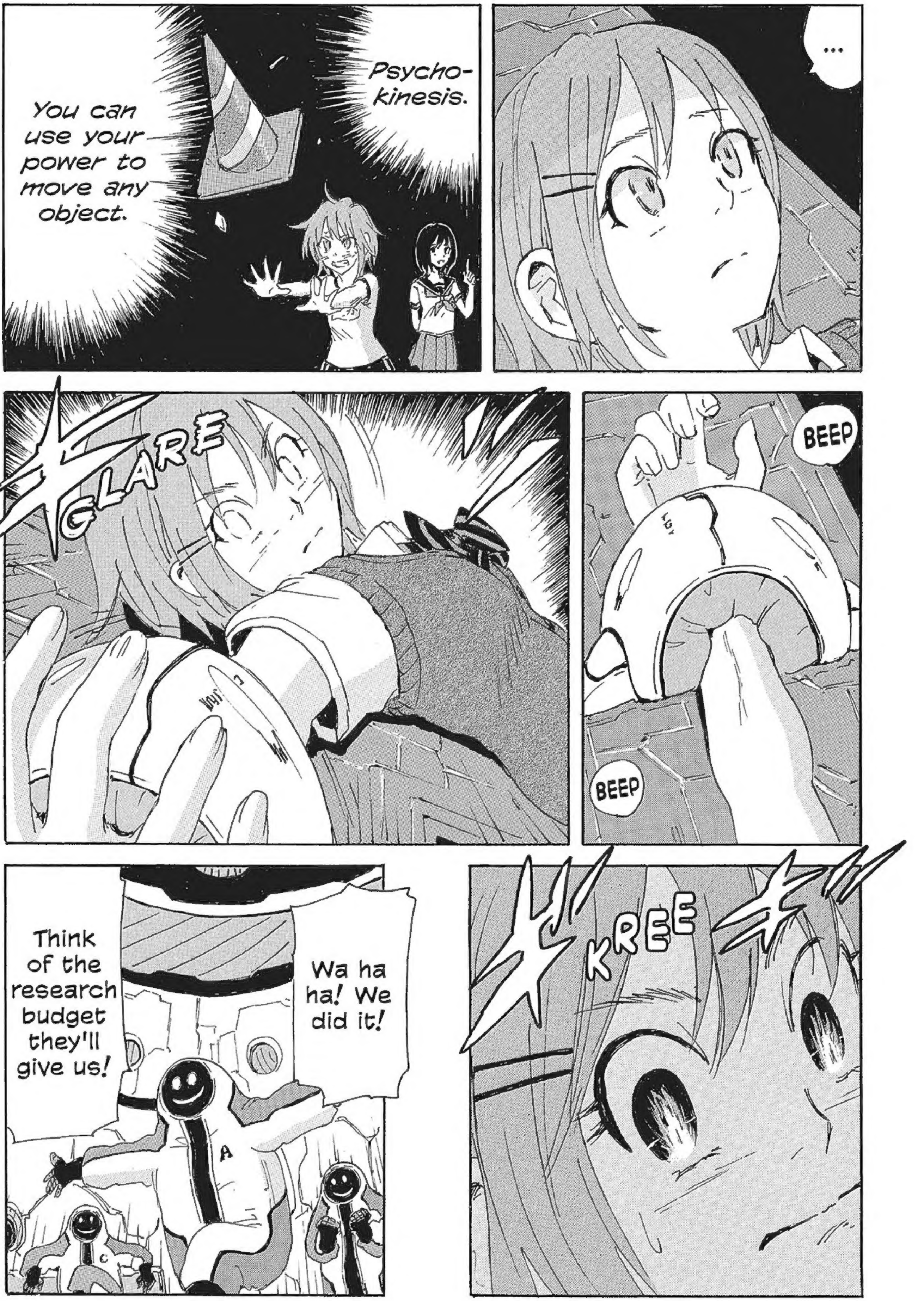

BWSSHH
…
BSSHH
THUD
PSSSH
…
SSHH

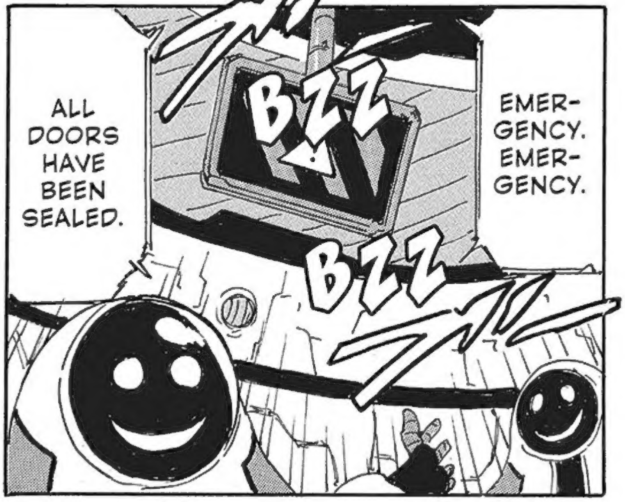

THE SLEEPING GAS WORKED!
ZZ
WE'VE SECURED AOI FUKASAKU!
Fire.
BOOM
BOOM
!!
Cannons!
KABOOM
Run!!

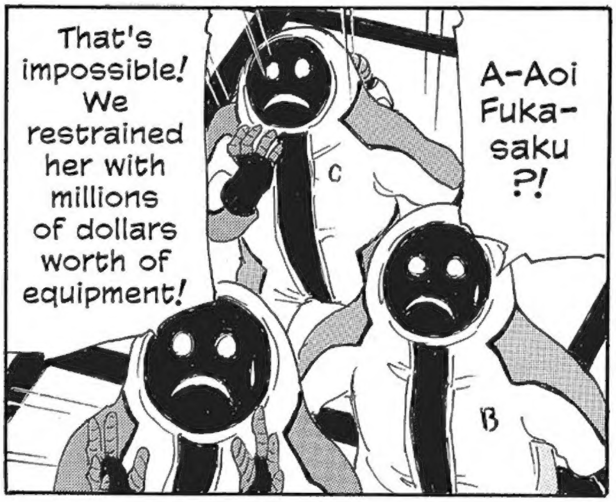

BWOOM
KA BOOM
BOOM
Shit!
I knew you damn humans would do this!
Give Shion back!
RRRMM
RRRMM

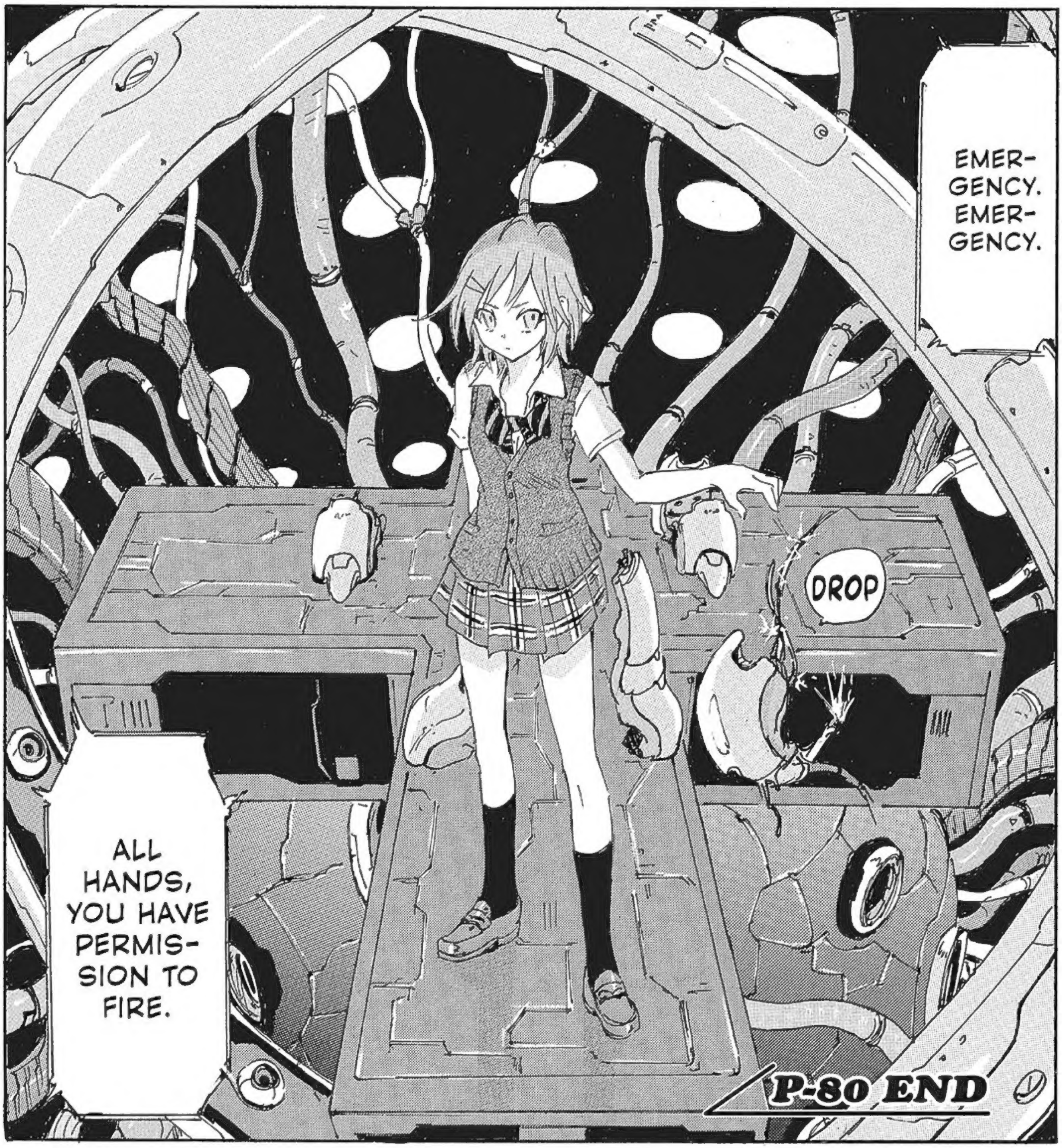

Aoi will come back...
She'll come back to us—with Shion!
RRR
MMM
WELL DONE.
YOUR EFFORTS KEPT THE BUDGET FOR RECOVERING AOI FUKASAKU TO A MINIMUM.
Leave the lab work to us.
C
B
A
We'll begin producing more Coppelion ASAP.
BE EVER VIGILANT.
THE FATE OF THE COUNTRY RESTS UPON THIS FIGHT.


THIS TECHNOLOGY WILL REVIVE JAPAN.
SO ENDS A LONG ERA OF DARKNESS.
BEEP
BEEP
...?
?!
TUG
Oof ...
Hrmph !


...
Psycho-kinesis.
You can use your power to move any object.
BEEP
BEEP
GLARE
KREE
Wa ha ha! We did it!
Think of the research budget they'll give us!
A
C


EMERGENCY. EMERGENCY.
BZZ
ALL DOORS HAVE BEEN SEALED.
BZZ


A-Aoi Fukasaku?!
That's impossible! We restrained her with millions of dollars worth of equipment!


EMERGENCY. EMERGENCY.
DROP
ALL HANDS, YOU HAVE PERMISSION TO FIRE.
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